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1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to health care; covering traditional health care practices under medical

1.3 assistance.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **MEDICAL ASSISTANCE COVERAGE OF TRADITIONAL HEALTH**

1.6 **CARE PRACTICES.**

1.7 Subdivision 1. Waiver request. By October 1, 2025, the commissioner of human services,

1.8 in consultation with Tribes, Tribal organizations, and urban Indian organizations, shall apply

1.9 to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for a waiver to allow the state's medical

1.10 assistance program to provide coverage for traditional health care practices received through

1.11 Indian health service facilities, facilities operated by Tribes or Tribal organizations under

1.12 the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, or facilities operated by urban

1.13 Indian organizations under Title V of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act.

1.14 Subd. 2. Requirements. (a) A qualified provider must determine whether a medical

1.15 assistance enrollee is eligible to receive traditional health care practices under this section.

1.16 (b) Traditional health care practices are covered under this section if they are received

1.17 from a qualified provider.

1.18 (c) For purposes of this section, a "qualified provider" is a practitioner or provider who

1.19 is employed by or under contract with the Indian Health Service, a 638 Tribal clinic, or a

1.20 Title V urban Indian organization. Each facility is responsible for ensuring that a qualified

1.21 provider has the necessary experience and appropriate training to provide traditional health

1.22 care practices.

2.1 Subd. 3. **Payments for traditional health care practices.** Reimbursement for traditional  
2.2 health care practices under this section is set at the outpatient, per visit rate established by  
2.3 the Indian Health Service under sections 321(a) and 322(b) of the Public Health Service  
2.4 Act. Reimbursement is limited to one payment per day per medical assistance enrollee  
2.5 receiving traditional health care practices.

2.6 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval,  
2.7 whichever is later, except that subdivision 1, is effective the day following final enactment.  
2.8 The commissioner of human services must notify the revisor of statutes when federal  
2.9 approval is obtained.