

CHAPTER 53--H.F.No. 106

An act relating to human services; modifying criteria for community medical response emergency medical technician services; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 256B.0625, subdivision 60a.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 256B.0625, subdivision 60a, is amended to read:

Subd. 60a. **Community medical response emergency medical technician services.** (a) Medical assistance covers services provided by a community medical response emergency medical technician (CEMT) who is certified under section 144E.275, subdivision 7, when the services are provided in accordance with this subdivision.

(b) A CEMT may provide a ~~posthospital discharge~~ postdischarge visit, ~~after discharge from a hospital or skilled nursing facility~~, when ordered by a treating physician. The ~~posthospital discharge~~ postdischarge visit includes:

- (1) verbal or visual reminders of discharge orders;
- (2) recording and reporting of vital signs to the patient's primary care provider;
- (3) medication access confirmation;
- (4) food access confirmation; and
- (5) identification of home hazards.

(c) An individual who has repeat ambulance calls due to falls, ~~has been discharged from a nursing home~~, or has been identified by the individual's primary care provider as at risk for nursing home placement, may receive a safety evaluation visit from a CEMT when ordered by a primary care provider in accordance with the individual's care plan. A safety evaluation visit includes:

- (1) medication access confirmation;
- (2) food access confirmation; and
- (3) identification of home hazards.

(d) A CEMT shall be paid at \$9.75 per 15-minute increment. A safety evaluation visit may not be billed for the same day as a ~~posthospital discharge~~ postdischarge visit for the same individual.

Presented to the governor May 11, 2017

Signed by the governor May 12, 2017, 11:45 a.m.