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**Citations Affected:** IC 12-7; IC 12-15; IC 16-18; IC 16-51; IC 25-1; IC 25-22.5; IC 27-1; IC 27-2; noncode.

**Synopsis:** Health matters. Requires a provider to include the service facility location in order to obtain Medicaid reimbursement from the office of the secretary of family and social services or the managed care organization. Requires health care providers to include the address of the service facility location on submitted reimbursement forms. Requires certain health care providers to provide a good faith estimate to individuals of the price for nonemergency health care services to be provided to the individual by the health care provider and sets forth (Continued next page)

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SENATE ACTION
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requirements. Provides that an out of network practitioner who provides health care services to a covered individual in an in network facility may not charge more for the health care services provided to a covered individual than allowed according to the rate or amount of compensation established by the covered individual's network plan unless: (1) at least five days before the health care services are scheduled to be provided, the covered individual is provided a statement that: (A) informs the covered individual that the facility or practitioner intends to charge more than allowed under the network plan; and (B) sets forth an estimate of the charge; and (2) the covered individual signs the statement, signifying the covered individual's consent to the charge. Prohibits employment contracts between employers and practitioner employees to include non-compete agreements. Provides for information and notification that an employer must give to a physician who leaves the employment of the provider. Requires insurers and health maintenance organization to annually report specified claims data to the department of insurance and the general assembly.



Second Regular Session of the 121st General Assembly (2020)

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# ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL No. 1004

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 12-7-2-174.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 174.7. (a) "Service facility
location", for purposes of IC 12-15-11, means the address where
the services of a provider facility or practitioner were provided. (b) The term consists of exact address and place of service codes
as required on CMS forms 1500 and 1450, including an office on-campus location of a hospital, and off-campus location of a
hospital.

SECTION 2. IC 12-15-11-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.195-2018, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 5. (a) A provider who participates in the Medicaid program must comply with the enrollment requirements that are established under rules adopted under IC 4-22-2 by the secretary.

(b) A provider who participates in the Medicaid program may be required to use the centralized credentials verification organization established in section 9 of this chapter: include the address of the



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1	service facility location in order to obtain Medicaid reimbursement
2	for a claim for health care services from the office or a managed
3	care organization.
4	(c) The office or a managed care organization is not required to
5	accept a claim for health care services that does not contain the
6	service facility location.
7	SECTION 3. IC 12-15-11-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
8	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 6. (a) After a provider

SECTION 3. IC 12-15-11-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 6. (a) After a provider signs a provider agreement under this chapter, the office may not exclude the provider from participating in the Medicaid program by entering into an exclusive contract with another provider or group of providers, except as provided under section 7 of this chapter.

(b) The office or a managed care organization contracting with the office may not prohibit a provider from participating in a network of another insurer, managed care organization, or health maintenance organization.

SECTION 4. IC 16-18-2-163.6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020]: **Sec. 163.6.** "**Health care services**", for purposes of IC 16-51-1, has the meaning set forth in IC 16-51-1-1.

SECTION 5. IC 16-18-2-167.8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 167.8. "Health maintenance organization", for purposes of IC 16-51-1, has the meaning set forth in IC 16-51-1-2.

SECTION 6. IC 16-18-2-190.9 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020]: **Sec. 190.9. "Insurer", for purposes of IC 16-51-1, has the meaning set forth in IC 16-51-1-3.** 

SECTION 7. IC 16-18-2-288, AS AMENDED BY P.L.96-2014, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 288. (a) "Practitioner", for purposes of IC 16-42-19, has the meaning set forth in IC 16-42-19-5.

- (b) "Practitioner", for purposes of IC 16-41-14, has the meaning set forth in IC 16-41-14-4.
- (c) "Practitioner", for purposes of IC 16-42-21, has the meaning set forth in IC 16-42-21-3.
- (d) "Practitioner", for purposes of IC 16-42-22 and IC 16-42-25, has the meaning set forth in IC 16-42-22-4.5.
- (e) "Practitioner", for purposes of IC 16-51-1, has the meaning set forth in IC 16-51-1-4.

SECTION 8. IC 16-18-2-295.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA



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1	CODE AS A <b>NEW</b> SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
2	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 295.3. "Provider facility", for
3	purposes of IC 16-51-1, has the meaning set forth in IC 16-51-1-5.
4	SECTION 9. IC 16-18-2-327.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
5	CODE AS A <b>NEW</b> SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
6	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 327.7. "Service facility location",
7	for purposes of IC 16-51-1, has the meaning set forth in
8	IC 16-51-1-6.
9	SECTION 10. IC 16-51 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
10	A NEW ARTICLE TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
11	2020]:
12	ARTICLE 51. HEALTH CARE REQUIREMENTS
13	Chapter 1. Health Care Provider Billing
14	Sec. 1. (a) As used in this chapter, "health care services" means
15	health care related services or products rendered or sold by a
16	provider within the scope of the provider's license or legal
17	authorization.
18	(b) The term includes hospital, medical, surgical, dental, vision,
19	and pharmaceutical services or products.
20	Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "health maintenance
21	organization" has the meaning set forth in IC 27-13-1-19.
22	Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "insurer" has the meaning set
23	forth in IC 27-8-11-1(e).
24	Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "practitioner" means an
25	individual or entity duly licensed or legally authorized to provide
26	health care services.
27	Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "provider facility" means any of
28	the following:
29	(1) A hospital.
30	(2) A skilled nursing facility.
31	(3) An end stage renal disease provider.
32	(4) A home health agency.
33	(5) A hospice organization.
34	(6) An outpatient physical therapy, occupational therapy, or
35	speech pathology service provider.
36	(7) A comprehensive outpatient rehabilitation facility.
37	(8) A community mental health center.
38	(9) A critical access hospital.
39 40	(10) A federally qualified health center.
40	(11) A histocompatibility laboratory.



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(12) An Indian health service facility.

(13) An organ procurement organization.

1	(14) A religious nonmedical health care institution.
2	(15) A rural health clinic.
3	Sec. 6. As used in this chapter, "service facility location" means
4	the address where the services of a provider facility or practitioner
5	were provided. The term consists of exact address and place of
6	service codes as required on CMS forms 1500 and 1450, including
7	an office, on-campus location of a hospital, and off-campus location
8	of a hospital.
9	Sec. 7. (a) A provider facility or practitioner shall include the
10	address of the service facility location in order to obtain
11	reimbursement for a commercial claim for health care services
12	from an insurer, health maintenance organization, employer, or
13	other person responsible for the payment of the cost of health care
14	services.
15	(b) An insurer, health maintenance organization, employer, or
16	other person responsible for the payment of the cost of health care
17	services is not required to accept a bill for health care services that
18	does not contain the service facility location.
19	Sec. 8. A patient is not liable for any additional payment that is
20	the result of a practitioner or provider facility filing an incorrect
21	form or not including the correct service facility location as
22	required under this chapter.
23	SECTION 11. IC 25-1-9-23 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
24	AS A <b>NEW</b> SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
25	1, 2020]: Sec. 23. (a) This section does not apply to emergency
26	services.
27	(b) As used in this section, "covered individual" means an
28	individual who is entitled to be provided health care services at a
29	cost established according to a network plan.
30	(c) As used in this section, "in network practitioner" means a
31	practitioner who is required under a network plan to provide
32	health care services to covered individuals at not more than a
33	preestablished rate or amount of compensation.
34	(d) As used in this section, "network plan" means a plan under
35	which facilities and practitioners are required by contract to
36	provide health care services to covered individuals at not more
37	than a preestablished rate or amount of compensation.
38	(e) As used in this section, "practitioner" means the following:
39	(1) An individual licensed under IC 25 who provides
40	professional health care services to individuals in a facility.
41	(2) An organization:

(A) that consists of practitioners described in subdivision



1	(1); and
2	(B) through which practitioners described in subdivision
3	(1) provide health care services.
4	(3) An entity that:
5	(A) is not a facility; and
6	(B) employs practitioners described in subdivision (1) to
7	provide health care services.
8	(f) An in network practitioner who provides health care services
9	to a covered individual may not charge more for the health care
10	services than allowed according to the rate or amount of
11	compensation established by the individual's network plan.
12	(g) An out of network practitioner who provides health care
13	services at an in network facility to a covered individual may
14	charge more for the health care services than allowed according to
15	the rate or amount of compensation established by the individual's
16	network plan if all of the following conditions are met:
17	(1) At least five (5) days before the health care services are
18	scheduled to be provided to the covered individual, the
19	practitioner provides to the covered individual, on a form
20	separate from any other form provided to the covered
21	individual by the practitioner, a statement in conspicuous type
22	at least as large as fourteen (14) point type that meets the
23	following requirements:
24	(A) Includes a notice reading substantially as follows:
25	"[Name of practitioner] intends to charge you more for
26	[name or description of health care services] than allowed
27	according to the rate or amount of compensation
28	established by the network plan applying to your coverage.
29	[Name of practitioner] is not entitled to charge this much
30	for [name or description of health care services] unless you
31	give your written consent to the charge.".
32	(B) Sets forth the practitioner's good faith estimate of the
33	amount that the practitioner intends to charge for the
34	health care services provided to the covered individual.
35	(C) Includes a notice reading substantially as follows
36	concerning the good faith estimate set forth under clause
37	(B): "The estimate of our intended charge for [name or
38	description of health care services] set forth in this
39	statement is provided in good faith and is our best estimate
40	of the amount we will charge. If our actual charge for
41	[name or description of health care services] exceeds our

estimate, we will explain to you why the charge exceeds the



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1	estimate.".
2	(2) The covered individual signs the statement provided under
3	subdivision (1), signifying the covered individual's consent to
4	the charge for the health care services being greater than
5	allowed according to the rate or amount of compensation
6	established by the network plan.
7	(h) If the charge of a practitioner for health care services
8	provided to a covered individual exceeds the estimate provided to
9	the covered individual under subsection (g)(1)(B), the facility or
10	practitioner shall explain in a writing provided to the covered
11	individual why the charge exceeds the estimate.
12	SECTION 12. IC 25-1-9.8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
13	AS A <b>NEW</b> CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
14	JULY 1, 2020]:
15	Chapter 9.8. Practitioner Good Faith Estimates
16	Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "covered individual" means ar
17	individual who is entitled to be provided health care services
18	according to a health carrier's network plan.
19	Sec. 1.5. As used in this chapter, "episode of care" means the
20	medical care ordered to be provided for a specific medical
21	procedure, condition, or illness.
22	Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "good faith estimate" means a
23	reasonable estimate of the price a practitioner anticipates charging
24	for an episode of care for nonemergency health care services that
25	(1) is made by a practitioner under this chapter upon the
26	request of:
27	(A) the individual for whom the nonemergency health care
28	service has been ordered; or
29	(B) the provider facility in which the nonemergency health
30	care service will be provided; and
31	(2) is not binding upon the practitioner.
32	Sec. 3. (a) As used in this chapter, "health carrier" means an
33	entity:
34	(1) that is subject to IC 27 and the administrative rules
35	adopted under IC 27; and
36	(2) that enters into a contract to:
37	(A) provide health care services;
38	(B) deliver health care services;
39	(C) arrange for health care services; or
40	(D) pay for or reimburse any of the costs of health care
41	services.
42	(b) The term also includes the following:



1	(1) An insurer, as defined in IC 27-1-2-3(x), that issues a
2	policy of accident and sickness insurance, as defined in
3	IC 27-8-5-1(a).
4	(2) A health maintenance organization, as defined in
5	IC 27-13-1-19.
6	(3) An administrator (as defined in IC 27-1-25-1(a)) that is
7	licensed under IC 27-1-25.
8	(4) A state employee health plan offered under IC 5-10-8.
9	(5) A short term insurance plan (as defined by IC 27-8-5.9-3).
10	(6) Any other entity that provides a plan of health insurance
11	health benefits, or health care services.
12	Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "in network", when used in
13	reference to a practitioner, means that the health care services
14	provided by the practitioner are subject to a health carrier's
15	network plan.
16	Sec. 5. (a) As used in this chapter, "network" means a group of
17	provider facilities and practitioners that:
18	(1) provide health care services to covered individuals; and
19	(2) have agreed to, or are otherwise subject to, maximum
20	limits on the prices for the health care services to be provided
21	to the covered individuals.
22	(b) The term includes the following:
23	(1) A network described in subsection (a) that is established
24	pursuant to a contract between an insurer providing coverage
25	under a group health policy and:
26	(A) individual provider facilities and practitioners;
27	(B) a preferred provider organization; or
28	(C) an entity that employs or represents providers
29	including:
30	(i) an independent practice association; and
31	(ii) a physician-hospital organization.
32	(2) A health maintenance organization, as defined in
33	IC 27-13-1-19.
34	Sec. 6. As used in this chapter, "network plan" means a plan of
35	a health carrier that:
36	(1) requires a covered person to receive; or
37	(2) creates incentives, including financial incentives, for a
38	covered person to receive;
39	health care services from one (1) or more providers that are under
40	contract with, managed by, or owned by the health carrier.

Sec. 7. As used in this chapter, "nonemergency health care

service" means a discrete service or series of services ordered by



1	a practitioner for an episode of care for the:
2	(1) diagnosis;
3	(2) prevention;
4	(3) treatment;
5	(4) cure; or
6	(5) relief;
7	of a physical, mental, or behavioral health condition, illness, injury,
8	or disease that is not provided on an emergency or urgent care
9	basis.
10	Sec. 8. As used in this chapter, "practitioner" means an
11	individual or entity duly licensed or legally authorized to provide
12	health care services.
13	Sec. 8.5. As used in this chapter, "price" means the negotiated
14	rate between the:
15	(1) provider facility and practitioner; and
16	(2) covered individual's primary health carrier.
17	Sec. 9. As used in this chapter, "provider" means:
18	(1) a provider facility; or
19	(2) a practitioner.
20	Sec. 10. As used in this chapter, "provider facility" means any of
21	the following:
22	(1) A hospital licensed under IC 16-21-2.
23	(2) An ambulatory outpatient surgery center licensed under
24	IC 16-21-2.
25	(3) An abortion clinic licensed under IC 16-21-2.
26	(4) A birthing center licensed under IC 16-21-2.
27	(5) Except for an urgent care facility (as defined by
28	IC 27-1-46-10.5), a facility that provides diagnostic services to
29	the medical profession or the general public.
30	(6) A laboratory where clinical pathology tests are carried out
31	on specimens to obtain information about the health of a
32	patient.
33	(7) A facility where radiologic and electromagnetic images are
34	made to obtain information about the health of a patient.
35	(8) An infusion center that administers intravenous
36	medications.
37	Sec. 11. (a) This section does not apply to an individual who is
38	a Medicaid recipient.
39	(b) An individual for whom a nonemergency health care service
40	has been ordered may request from the practitioner who may
41	provide the nonemergency health care service a good faith estimate
42	of the total price the practitioner will charge for providing the



1	nonemergency health care service.
2	(c) A practitioner who receives a request from a patient under
3	subsection (b) shall, not more than five (5) business days after
4	receiving all the relevant information from the individual, provide
5	to the individual a good faith estimate of the price that the
6	practitioner will charge for providing the nonemergency health
7	care service.
8	(d) A practitioner must ensure that a good faith estimate
9	provided to an individual under this section is accompanied by a
10	notice stating that:
11	(1) an estimate provided under this section is not binding on
12	the practitioner;
13	(2) the price the practitioner charges the individual may vary
14	from the estimate based on the individual's medical needs;
15	and
16	(3) the estimate provided under this section is only valid for
17	thirty (30) days.
18	(e) A practitioner may not charge an individual for information
19	provided under this section.
20	Sec. 12. (a) If:
21	(1) the individual who requests a good faith estimate from a
22	practitioner under this chapter is a covered individual with
23	respect to a network plan; and
24	(2) the practitioner from which the individual requests the
25	good faith estimate is in network with respect to the same
26	network plan;
27	the good faith estimate that the practitioner provides to the
28	individual under this chapter must be based on the negotiated price
29	to which the practitioner has agreed as an in network provider.
30	(b) If the individual who requests a good faith estimate from a
31	practitioner under this chapter:
32	(1) is not a covered individual with respect to any network
33	plan; or
34	(2) is not a covered individual with respect to a network plan
35	with respect to which the practitioner is in network;
36	the good faith estimate that the practitioner provides to the
37	individual under this chapter must be based on the price that the
38	practitioner charges for the nonemergency health care service in
39	the absence of any network plan.
40	Sec. 13. A practitioner may provide a good faith estimate to an
41	individual under this chapter:
42	(1) in a writing delivered to the individual;



1	(2) by electronic mail; or
2	(3) through a mobile application or other Internet web based
3	method, if available;
4	according to the preference expressed by the individual.
5	Sec. 14. (a) A good faith estimate provided by a practitioner to
6	an individual under this chapter must meet the following
7	requirements:
8	(1) Provide a summary of the services and material items that
9	the good faith estimate is based on.
10	(2) Include:
11	(A) the price that the provider facility in which the health
12	care service will be performed will charge for:
13	(i) the use of the provider facility to care for the
14	individual for the nonemergency health care service;
15	(ii) the services rendered by the staff of the provider
16	facility in connection with the nonemergency health care
17	service; and
18	(iii) medication, supplies, equipment, and material items
19	to be provided to or used by the individual while the
20	individual is present in the provider facility in
21	connection with the nonemergency health care service;
22	(B) the price charged for the services of all practitioners,
23	support staff, and other persons who provide professional
24	health services:
25	(i) who may provide services to or for the individual
26	during the individual's presence in the provider facility
27	for the nonemergency health care service; and
28	(ii) for whose services the individual will be charged
29	separately from the charge of the provider facility;
30	for imaging, laboratory services, diagnostic services, therapy,
31	observation services, and other services expected to be
32	provided to the individual for the episode of care.
33	(3) Include a total figure that is a sum of the estimated prices
34	referred to in subdivisions (1) and (2).
35	(b) Subsection (a) does not prohibit a practitioner from
36	providing to an individual a good faith estimate that indicates how
37	much of the total figure stated under subsection (a)(2) will be the
38	individual's out-of-pocket expense after the health carrier's
39	payment of charges.

(c) A health carrier and a provider facility must provide a

practitioner with the information needed by the practitioner to

comply with the requirements under this chapter not more than



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1	two (2) business days after receiving the request.
2	(d) A practitioner is not subject to the penalties under section 19
3	of this chapter if:
4	(1) a health carrier or provider facility fails to provide the
5	practitioner with the information as required under
6	subsection (c);
7	(2) the practitioner provides the individual with a good faith
8	estimate based on any information that the practitioner has;
9	and
10	(3) the practitioner provides the individual with an updated
11	good faith estimate after the health carrier or provider facility
12	has provided the information required under subsection (c).
13	Sec. 15. If:
14	(1) a practitioner is expected to provide a nonemergency
15	health care service to an individual in a provider facility; and
16	(2) the provider facility receives a request from an individual
17	for a good faith estimate under IC 27-1-46;
18	the practitioner, upon request from the provider facility, shall
19	provide to the provider facility a good faith estimate of the
20	practitioner's price for providing the nonemergency health care
21	service to enable the provider facility to comply with
22	IC 27-1-46-11.
23	Sec. 16. (a) A practitioner that has ordered the individual for a
24	nonemergency health care service shall provide to the individual
25	an electronic or paper copy of a written notice that states the
26	following, or words to the same effect: "A patient may at any time
27	ask a health care provider for an estimate of the price the health
28	care providers and health facility will charge for providing a
29	nonemergency medical service. The law requires that the estimate
30	be provided within 5 business days.".
31	(b) The Indiana professional licensing agency may adopt rules
32	under IC 4-22-2 to establish requirements for practitioners to
33	provide additional charging information under this section.
34	Sec. 17. If:
35	(1) a practitioner receives a request for a good faith estimate
36	under this chapter; and
37	(2) the patient is eligible for Medicare coverage;
38	the practitioner shall provide a good faith estimate to the patient
39	within five (5) business days based on available Medicare rates.
40	Sec. 18. (a) As used in this section, "waiting room" means a
41	space in a building used by a practitioner in which people check in



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or register to:

1	(1) be seen by practitioners; or
2	(2) meet with members of the staff of a practitioner's office.
3	(b) A practitioner shall ensure that each waiting room of the
4	practitioner's office includes at least one (1) printed notice that:
5	(1) is designed, lettered, and positioned within the waiting
6	room so as to be conspicuous to and readable by any
7	individual with normal vision who visits the waiting room
8	and
9	(2) states the following, or words to the same effect: "A
10	patient may ask for an estimate of the amount the patient wil
1	be charged for a nonemergency medical service provided in
12	this practitioner office. The law requires that an estimate be
13	provided within 5 business days.".
14	(c) If a practitioner maintains an Internet web site, the
15	practitioner shall ensure that the Internet web site includes at leas
16	one (1) printed notice that:
17	(1) is designed, lettered, and featured on the Internet web site
18	so as to be conspicuous to and readable by any individual with
19	normal vision who visits the Internet web site; and
20	(2) states the following, or words to the same effect: "A
21	patient may ask for an estimate of the amount the patient wil
22	be charged for a nonemergency medical service provided in
23	our office. The law requires that an estimate be provided
23 24	within 5 business days.".
25	Sec. 19. The appropriate board (as defined in IC 25-1-9-1) may
26	take action against a practitioner:
27	(1) under IC 25-1-9-9(a)(3) or IC 25-1-9-9(a)(4) for an initia
28	violation or isolated violations of this chapter; or
29	(2) under IC 25-1-9-9(a)(6) for repeated or persisten
30	violations of this chapter;
31	concerning the providing of a good faith estimate to an individua
32	for whom a nonemergency health care service has been ordered or
33	the providing of notice in the practitioner's waiting room or on the
34	practitioner's Internet web site that a patient may at any time asl
35	for an estimate of the price that the patient will be charged for a
36	medical service.
37	SECTION 13. IC 25-1-9.9 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
38	AS A <b>NEW</b> CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
39	JULY 1, 2020]:
10	Chapter 9.9. Practitioner Employment Contracts And
11	Non-Compete Agreements

Sec. 1. This chapter applies to an employment contract entered



1	into, modified, renewed, or extended after June 30, 2020.
2	Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "employee" means a practitioner
3	(as defined in IC 25-1-9-2) employed by an employer for wages or
4	salary. The term includes an individual who has received an offer
5	of employment from a prospective employer.
6	Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "employer" means an individual,
7	corporation, partnership, limited liability company, or any other
8	legal entity that has at least one (1) employee and is legally doing
9	business in Indiana.
10	Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "non-compete agreement" means
11	a contractual provision by which an employer attempts to limit an
12	employee's ability to seek future employment or engage in future
13	business activity after the employment relationship has terminated.
14	Sec. 5. An employment contract entered into by an employer
15	and employee may not contain a non-compete agreement.
16	Sec. 6. A non-compete agreement in an employment contract in
17	violation of this chapter is unenforceable and void.
18	SECTION 14. IC 25-22.5-17 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
19	CODE AS A <b>NEW</b> CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS
20	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020]:
21	Chapter 17. Physician's Patient Information
22	Sec. 1. If a physician licensed under this article leaves the
23	employment of an employer, the following apply:
24	(1) The employer of the physician must provide the physician
25	with a copy of any notice that:
26	(A) concerns the physician's departure from the employer;
27	and
28	(B) was sent to any patient seen or treated by the physician
29	during the two (2) year period preceding the termination
30	of the physician's employment or the expiration of the
31	physician's contract. However, the patient names and
32	contact information must be redacted from the copy of the
33	notice provided from the employer of the physician to the
34	physician.
35	(2) The physician's employer must, in good faith, provide the
36	physician's last known or current contact and location
37	information to a patient who:
38	(A) requests updated contact and location information for
39	the physician; and
40	(B) was seen or treated by the physician during the two (2)
41	year period preceding the termination of the physician's
42.	employment or the expiration of the physician's contract.



1	(3) The physician's employer must provide the physician with:
2	(A) access to; or
3	(B) copies of;
4	any medical record associated with a patient described in
5	subdivision (1) or (2) upon receipt of the patient's consent.
6	(4) The physician's employer may not provide patient medical
7	records to a requesting physician in a format that materially
8	differs from the format used to create or store the medical
9	record during the routine or ordinary course of business,
10	unless a different format is mutually agreed upon by the
11	parties. Paper or portable document format copies of the
12	medical records satisfy the formatting provisions of this
13	chapter.
14	Sec. 2. A person or entity required to create, copy, or transfer
15	a patient medical record for a reason specified in this chapter may
16	charge a reasonable fee for the service as permitted under
17	applicable state or federal law.
18	SECTION 15. IC 27-1-45 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
19	AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
20	JULY 1, 2020]:
21	Chapter 45. Health Facility Compensation
22	Sec. 0.5. This chapter does not apply to emergency services.
23	Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "covered individual" means an
24	individual who is entitled to be provided health care services at a
25	cost established according to a network plan.
26	Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "facility" means an institution in
27	which health care services are provided to individuals. The term
28	includes:
29	(1) hospitals and other licensed ambulatory surgical centers;
30	and
31	(2) ambulatory outpatient surgical centers.
32	Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "in network provider" means a
33	provider that is required under a network plan to provide health
34	care services to covered individuals at not more than a
35	preestablished rate or amount of compensation.
36	Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "network plan" means a plan
37	under which providers are required by contract to provide health
38	care services to covered individuals at not more than a
39	preestablished rate or amount of compensation.
40	Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "practitioner" means the
41	following:

(1) An individual licensed under IC 25 who provides



professional health care services to individuals in a facility.  (2) An organization:  (A) that consists of practitioners described in subdivision (1); and  (B) through which practitioners described in subdivision (1) provide health care services.  (3) An entity that:  (A) is not a facility; and  (B) employs practitioners described in subdivision (1) to provide health care services.  Sec. 6. As used in this chapter, "provider" means:  (1) a facility; or  (2) a practitioner.  Sec. 7. (a) An out of network practitioner who provides health care services at an in network facility to a covered individual may charge more for the health care services than allowed according to the rate or amount of compensation established by the individual's network plan if all of the following conditions are met:  (1) At least five (5) days before the health care services are scheduled to be provided to the covered individual, the facility or practitioner provides to the covered individual, on a form separate from any other form provided to the covered individual by the facility or practitioner, a statement in conspicuous type at least as large as fourteen (14) point type that meets the following requirements:  (A) Includes a notice reading substantially as follows:  "[Name of facility or practitioner] intends to charge you more for [name or description of health care services] than allowed according to the rate or amount of compensation established by the network plan applying to your coverage.  [Name of facility or practitioner] is not entitled to charge this much for [name or description of health care services] unless you give your written consent to the charge.".  (B) Sets forth the facility's or practitioner's good faith estimate of the amount that the facility or practitioner intends to charge for the health care services provided to the covered individual.  (C) Includes a notice reading substantially as follows concerning the good faith estimate set forth under clause (B): "The estimate of our intended charge for [name or des	1	e · 11 1/1 ·
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1	of the amount we will charge. If our actual charge for
2	[name or description of health care services] exceeds our
3	estimate, we will explain to you why the charge exceeds the
4	estimate.".
5	(2) The covered individual signs the statement provided under
6	subdivision (1), signifying the covered individual's consent to
7	the charge for the health care services being greater than
8	allowed according to the rate or amount of compensation
9	established by the network plan.
10	(b) If the charge of a facility or practitioner for health care
11	services provided to a covered individual exceeds the estimate
12	provided to the covered individual under subsection (b)(1)(B), the
13	facility or practitioner shall explain in a writing provided to the
14	covered individual why the charge exceeds the estimate.
15	Sec. 8. (a) The insurance commissioner may, after notice and
16	hearing under IC 4-21.5, impose on the provider facility a civil
17	penalty of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for each
18	violation of this chapter.
19	(b) A civil penalty collected under this section shall be deposited
20	in the department of insurance fund established by IC 27-1-3-28.
21	SECTION 16. IC 27-1-46 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
22	AS A <b>NEW</b> CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
23	JULY 1, 2020]:
24	Chapter 46. Provider Facility Good Faith Estimates
25	Sec. 0.5. Nothing in this chapter prohibits:
26	(1) a self-funded health benefit plan that complies with the
27	federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA)
28	of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.); or
29	(2) a self-insurance program established to provide group
30	health coverage as described in IC 5-10-8-7(b), or a contract
31	for health services as described in IC 5-10-8-7(c);
32	from providing information requested by a practitioner or
33	provider facility under this chapter.
34	Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "covered individual" means an
35	individual who is entitled to be provided health care services
36	according to a health carrier's network plan.
37	Sec. 1.5. As used in this chapter, "episode of care" means the
38	medical care ordered to be provided for a specific medical
39	procedure, condition, or illness.
40	Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "good faith estimate" means a

reasonable estimate of the price a provider anticipates charging for

an episode of care for nonemergency health care services that:



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1	(1) is made by a provider under this chapter upon the request
2	of the individual for whom the nonemergency health care
3	service has been ordered; and
4	(2) is not binding upon the provider.
5	Sec. 3. (a) As used in this chapter, "health carrier" means an
6	entity:
7	(1) that is subject to IC 27 and the administrative rules
8	adopted under IC 27; and
9	(2) that enters into a contract to:
10	(A) provide health care services;
11	(B) deliver health care services;
12	(C) arrange for health care services; or
13	(D) pay for or reimburse any of the costs of health care
14	services.
15	(b) The term also includes the following:
16	(1) An insurer, as defined in IC 27-1-2-3(x), that issues a
17	policy of accident and sickness insurance, as defined in
18	IC 27-8-5-1(a).
19	(2) A health maintenance organization, as defined in
20	IC 27-13-1-19.
21	(3) An administrator (as defined in IC 27-1-25-1(a)) that is
22	licensed under IC 27-1-25.
23	(4) A state employee health plan offered under IC 5-10-8.
24	(5) A short term insurance plan (as defined by IC 27-8-5.9-3).
25	(6) Any other entity that provides a plan of health insurance,
26	health benefits, or health care services.
27	Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "in network", when used in
28	reference to a provider, means that the health care services
29	provided by the provider are subject to a health carrier's network
30	plan.
31	Sec. 5. (a) As used in this chapter, "network" means a group of
32	provider facilities and practitioners that:
33	(1) provide health care services to covered individuals; and
34	(2) have agreed to, or are otherwise subject to, maximum
35	limits on the prices for the health care services to be provided
36	to the covered individuals.
37	(b) The term includes the following:
38	(1) A network described in subsection (a) that is established
39	pursuant to a contract between an insurer providing coverage
40	under a group health policy and:
41	(A) individual provider facilities and practitioners;
42	(B) a preferred provider organization; or



1	(C) an entity that employs or represents providers,
2	including:
3	(i) an independent practice association; and
4	(ii) a physician-hospital organization.
5	(2) A health maintenance organization, as defined in
6	IC 27-13-1-19.
7	Sec. 6. As used in this chapter, "network plan" means a plan of
8	a health carrier that:
9	(1) requires a covered person to receive; or
10	(2) creates incentives, including financial incentives, for a
11	covered person to receive;
12	health care services from one (1) or more providers that are under
13	contract with, managed by, or owned by the health carrier.
14	Sec. 7. As used in this chapter, "nonemergency health care
15	service" means a discrete service or series of services ordered by
16	a practitioner for an episode of care for the purpose of:
17	(1) diagnosis;
18	(2) prevention;
19	(3) treatment;
20	(4) cure; or
21	(5) relief;
22	of a physical, mental, or behavioral health condition, illness, injury,
23 24	or disease that is not provided on an emergency or urgent care
24	basis.
25	Sec. 8. As used in this chapter, "practitioner" means an
26	individual or entity duly licensed or legally authorized to provide
27	health care services.
28	Sec. 8.5. As used in this chapter, "price" means the negotiated
29	rate between the:
30	(1) provider facility and practitioner; and
31	(2) covered individual's primary health carrier.
32	Sec. 9. As used in this chapter, "provider" means:
33	(1) a provider facility; or
34	(2) a practitioner.
35	Sec. 10. As used in this chapter, "provider facility" means any of
36	the following:
37	(1) A hospital licensed under IC 16-21-2.
38	(2) An ambulatory outpatient surgery center licensed under
39	IC 16-21-2.
10	(3) An abortion clinic licensed under IC 16-21-2.
<b>1</b> 1	(4) A birthing center licensed under IC 16-21-2.
12	(5) Except for an urgent care facility, a facility that provides



1	diagnostic services to the medical profession or the general
2	public, including outpatient facilities.
3	(6) A laboratory where clinical pathology tests are carried out
4	on specimens to obtain information about the health of a
5	patient.
6	(7) A facility where radiologic and electromagnetic images are
7	made to obtain information about the health of a patient.
8	(8) An infusion center that administers intravenous
9	medications.
10	Sec. 10.5. (a) As used in this chapter, "urgent care facility"
11	means a freestanding health care facility that offers episodic,
12	walk-in care for the treatment of acute, but not life threatening,
13	health conditions.
14	(b) The term does not include an emergency department of a
15	hospital or a nonprofit or government operated health clinic.
16	Sec. 11. (a) This section does not:
17	(1) apply to a individual who is a Medicaid recipient; or
18	(2) limit the authority of a legal representative of the patient.
19	(b) An individual for whom a nonemergency health care service
20	has been ordered may request from the provider facility in which
21	the health care service will be provided a good faith estimate of the
22	price that will be charged as a result of the nonemergency health
23	care service.
24	(c) A provider facility that receives a request from an individual
25	under subsection (b) shall, not more than five (5) business days
26	after receiving all the relevant information from the individual,
27	provide to the individual a good faith estimate of:
28	(1) the price that the provider facility in which the health care
29	service will be performed will charge for:
30	(A) the use of the provider facility to care for the
31	individual for the nonemergency health care service;
32	(B) the services rendered by the staff of the provider
33	facility in connection with the nonemergency health care
34	service; and
35	(C) medication, supplies, equipment, and material items to
36	be provided to or used by the individual while the
37	individual is present in the provider facility in connection
38	with the nonemergency health care service; and
39	(2) the price charged for the services of all practitioners,
40	support staff, and other persons who provide professional
41	health services:

(A) who may provide services to or for the individual



1	during the individual's presence in the provider facility for
2	the nonemergency health care service; and
3	(B) for whose services the individual will be charged
4	separately from the charge of the provider facility.
5	(d) The price that must be included in a good faith estimate
6	under this section includes all services under subsection (c)(1) or
7	(c)(2) for imaging, laboratory services, diagnostic services, therapy,
8	observation services, and other services expected to be provided to
9	the individual for the episode of care.
10	(e) A provider facility shall ensure that a good faith estimate
l 1	states that:
12	(1) an estimate provided under this section is not binding on
13	the provider facility;
14	(2) the price the provider facility charges the individual may
15	vary from the estimate based on the individual's medical
16	needs; and
17	(3) the estimate provided under this section is only valid for
18	thirty (30) days.
19	(f) A provider facility may not charge a patient for information
20	provided under this section.
21	Sec. 12. (a) If:
22	(1) the individual who requests a good faith estimate from a
23 24	provider facility under this chapter and has been verified as
24	a covered individual with respect to a network plan; and
25	(2) the provider facility from which the individual requests
26	the good faith estimate is in network with respect to the same
27	network plan;
28	the good faith estimate that the provider facility provides to the
29	individual under this chapter must be based on the price to which
30	the provider facility and any practitioners referred to in section
31	11(c)(2) of this chapter have agreed as in network providers.
32	(b) If the individual who requests a good faith estimate from a
33	provider facility under this chapter:
34	(1) is not a covered individual with respect to any network
35	plan; or
36	(2) is not a covered individual with respect to a network plan
37	with respect to which the provider facility is in network;
38	the good faith estimate that the provider facility provides to the
39	individual under this chapter must be based on the price that the
10	provider facility and any practitioners referred to in section
<b>1</b> 1	11(c)(2) of this chapter charge for the nonemergency health care



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services in the absence of any network plan.

1	Sec. 13. A provider facility may provide a good faith estimate to
2	an individual under this chapter:
3	(1) in a writing delivered to the individual;
4	(2) by electronic mail; or
5	(3) through a mobile application or other Internet web based
6	method, if available;
7	according to the preference expressed by the individual.
8	Sec. 14. (a) A good faith estimate provided by a provider facility
9	to an individual under this chapter must:
10	(1) provide a summary of the services and material items that
11	the good faith estimate is based on; and
12	(2) include a total figure that is a sum of the estimated prices
13	referred to in subdivision (1).
14	(b) Subsection (a) does not prohibit a provider facility from
15	providing to an individual a good faith estimate that indicates how
16	much of the total figure stated under subsection (a)(2) will be the
17	individual's out-of-pocket expense after the health carrier's
18	payment of charges.
19	(c) A health carrier or practitioner must provide a provider
20	facility with the information needed by the provider facility to
21	comply with the requirements under this chapter not more than
22	two (2) business days after receiving the request.
23 24	(d) A provider facility is not subject to the penalties under
24	section 17 of this chapter if:
25	(1) a health carrier or practitioner fails to provide the
26	provider facility with the information as required under
27	subsection (c);
28	(2) the provider facility provides the individual with a good
29	faith estimate based on any information that the provider
30	facility has; and
31	(3) the provider facility provides the individual with an
32	updated good faith estimate after the health carrier or
33	practitioner has provided the information required under
34	subsection (c).
35	Sec. 15. (a) As used in this section, "waiting room" means a
36	space in a building used by a provider facility in which people
37	check in or register to:
38	(1) be seen by practitioners; or
39	(2) meet with members of the staff of the provider facility.
40	(b) A provider facility shall ensure that each waiting room of the
41	provider facility includes at least one (1) printed notice that:

(1) is designed, lettered, and positioned within the waiting



1	room so as to be conspicuous to and readable by any
2	individual with normal vision who visits the waiting room;
3	and
4	(2) states the following, or words to the same effect: "A
5	patient may ask for an estimate of the amount the patient will
6	be charged for a nonemergency medical service provided in
7	this facility. The law requires that an estimate be provided
8	within 5 business days.".
9	(c) If a provider facility maintains an Internet web site, the
10	provider facility shall ensure that the Internet web site includes at
11	least one (1) printed notice that:
12	(1) is designed, lettered, and featured on the Internet web site
13	so as to be conspicuous to and readable by any individual with
14	normal vision who visits the Internet web site; and
15	(2) states the following, or words to the same effect: "A
16	patient may ask for an estimate of the amount the patient will
17	be charged for a nonemergency medical service provided in
18	our facility. The law requires that an estimate be provided
19	within 5 business days.".
20	Sec. 16. If:
21	(1) a provider facility receives a request for a good faith
22	estimate under this chapter; and
23	(2) the patient is eligible for Medicare coverage;
24	the provider facility shall provide a good faith estimate to the
25	patient within five (5) business days based on available Medicare
26	rates.
27	Sec. 17. (a) If a provider facility fails or refuses:
28	(1) to provide a good faith estimate as required by this
29	chapter; or
30	(2) to provide notice on the provider facility's Internet web
31	site as required under this chapter;
32	the insurance commissioner may, after notice and hearing under
33	IC 4-21.5, impose on the provider facility a civil penalty of not
34	more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for each violation.
35	(b) A civil penalty collected under this section shall be deposited
36	in the department of insurance fund established by IC 27-1-3-28.
37	SECTION 17. IC 27-2-25 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
38	AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
39	JULY 1, 2020]:
40	Chapter 25. Health Carrier Good Faith Estimates
41	Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "coverage" means the right of an
42	individual to receive:



individual to receive:

1	(1) health care services; or
2	(2) payment or reimbursement for health care services;
3	from a health carrier.
4	Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "covered individual" means an
5	individual who is entitled to coverage from a health carrier.
6	Sec. 2.5. As used in this chapter, "episode of care" means the
7	medical care ordered to be provided for a specific medical
8	procedure, condition, or illness.
9	Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "good faith estimate" means a
10	health carrier's reasonable estimate of:
11	(1) the amount of the cost of a nonemergency health care
12	service that the health carrier will:
13	(A) pay for; or
14	(B) reimburse to;
15	a covered individual; or
16	(2) the applicable benefit limitations of the nonemergency
17	health care service a covered individual is entitled to receive;
18	that a health carrier provides upon request to a covered individual
19	for whom a nonemergency health care service has been ordered.
20	Sec. 4. (a) As used in this chapter, "health carrier" means an
21	entity:
22	(1) that is subject to this title and the administrative rules
23	adopted under this title; and
24	(2) that enters into a contract to:
25	(A) provide health care services;
26	(B) deliver health care services;
27	(C) arrange for health care services; or
28	(D) pay for or reimburse any of the costs of health care
29	services.
30	(b) The term also includes the following:
31	(1) An insurer, as defined in IC 27-1-2-3(x), that issues a
32	policy of accident and sickness insurance, as defined in
33	IC 27-8-5-1(a).
34	(2) A health maintenance organization, as defined in
35	IC 27-13-1-19.
36	(3) An administrator (as defined in IC 27-1-25-1(a)) that is
37	licensed under IC 27-1-25.
38	(4) A state employee health plan offered under IC 5-10-8.
39	(5) A short term insurance plan (as defined by IC 27-8-5.9-3).
40	(6) Any other entity that provides a plan of health insurance,
41	health benefits, or health care services.
42	Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "in network", when used in



1	reference to a practitioner, means that the health care services
2 3	provided by the practitioner are subject to a health carrier's
	network plan.
4	Sec. 6. (a) As used in this chapter, "network" means a group of
5	provider facilities and practitioners that:
6	(1) provide health care services to covered individuals; and
7	(2) have agreed to, or are otherwise subject to, maximum
8	limits on the prices for the health care services to be provided
9	to the covered individuals.
10	(b) The term includes the following:
11	(1) A network described in subsection (a) that is established
12	pursuant to a contract between an insurer providing coverage
13	under a group health policy and:
14	(A) individual provider facilities and practitioners;
15	(B) a preferred provider organization; or
16	(C) an entity that employs or represents providers
17	including:
18	(i) an independent practice association; and
19	(ii) a physician-hospital organization.
20	(2) A health maintenance organization, as defined in
21	IC 27-13-1-19.
22	Sec. 7. As used in this chapter, "network plan" means a plan of
23	a health carrier that:
24	(1) requires a covered person to receive; or
25	(2) creates incentives, including financial incentives, for a
26	covered person to receive;
27	health care services from one (1) or more providers that are under
28	contract with, managed by, or owned by the health carrier.
29	Sec. 8. As used in this chapter, "nonemergency health care
30	service" means a discrete service or series of services ordered by
31	a practitioner for an episode of care for the:
32	(1) diagnosis;
33	(2) prevention;
34	(3) treatment;
35	(4) cure; or
36	(5) relief;
37	of a physical, mental, or behavioral health condition, illness, injury,
38	or disease that is not provided on an emergency or urgent care
39	basis.
40	Sec. 9. As used in this chapter, "practitioner" means an
41	individual or entity duly licensed or legally authorized to provide
42	health care services.



health care services.

1	Sec. 9.5. As used in this chapter, "price" means the negotiated
2	rate between the:
3	(1) provider facility and practitioner; and
4	(2) covered individual's primary health carrier;
5	minus the amount that the health carrier will pay.
6	Sec. 10. As used in this chapter, "provider" means:
7	(1) a provider facility; or
8	(2) a practitioner.
9	Sec. 11. As used in this chapter, "provider facility" means any of
10	the following:
11	(1) A hospital licensed under IC 16-21-2.
12	(2) An ambulatory outpatient surgery center licensed under
13	IC 16-21-2.
14	(3) An abortion clinic licensed under IC 16-21-2.
15	(4) A birthing center licensed under IC 16-21-2.
16	(5) Except for an urgent care facility (as defined by
17	IC 27-1-46-10.5), a facility that provides diagnostic services to
18	the medical profession or the general public.
19	(6) A laboratory where clinical pathology tests are carried out
20	on specimens to obtain information about the health of a
21	patient.
22	(7) A facility where radiologic and electromagnetic images are
23	made to obtain information about the health of a patient.
24	(8) An infusion center that administers intravenous
25	medications.
26	Sec. 12. (a) A covered individual for whom a nonemergency
27	health care service has been ordered may request from the health
28	carrier a good faith estimate of:
29	(1) the amount of the cost of the nonemergency health care
30	service that the health carrier will:
31	(A) pay for; or
32	(B) reimburse to;
33	the covered individual; or
34	(2) the applicable benefit limitations of the ordered
35	nonemergency health care service a covered individual is
36	entitled to receive from the health carrier.
37	(b) If:
38	(1) a health carrier provides coverage to a covered individual
39	through a network plan; and
40	(2) the health carrier receives a request for a good faith
41	estimate from a covered individual for whom a nonemergency
42	health care service has been ordered;



1	the health carrier shall inform the covered individual whether the
2	provider facility in which the nonemergency health care service
3	will be provided is in network and whether each scheduled
4	practitioner who may provide the nonemergency health care
5	service is in network.
6	(c) A health carrier that receives a request from a covered
7	individual patient under subsection (b) shall, not more than five (5)
8	business days after receiving all the relevant information, provide
9	to the individual a good faith estimate as described in section 14 of
10	this chapter.
11	(d) A health carrier must ensure that a good faith estimate
12	states that the estimate provided under this section is only valid for
13	thirty (30) days and that:
14	(1) the amount that the health carrier will:
15	(A) pay; or
16	(B) reimburse;
17	for or to the covered individual for the nonemergency health
18	care services the individual receives; and
19	(2) the applicable benefit limitations of the nonemergency
20	health care services the individual will receive;
21	may vary from the health carrier's good faith estimate based on
22	the individual's medical needs.
23	(e) A health carrier may not charge an individual for
24	information provided under this section.
25	(f) A practitioner and provider facility shall provide a health
26	carrier with the information needed by the health carrier to
27	comply with the requirements under this chapter not more than
28	two (2) business days after receiving the request.
29	Sec. 13. A health carrier may provide a good faith estimate to an
30	individual under this chapter:
31	(1) in a writing delivered to the individual;
32	(2) by electronic mail; or
33	(3) through a mobile application or other Internet web based
34	method, if available;
35	according to the preference expressed by the individual.
36	Sec. 14. (a) A good faith estimate provided by a health carrier
37	to an individual under this chapter must:
38	(1) in the case of an insurer or another health carrier that
39	pays or reimburses the cost of health care services:
40	(A) provide a summary of the services and material items
41	that the good faith estimate is based on;

(B) include a total figure that is a sum of the amounts



1	referred to in clause (A); and
2	(C) state the out-of-pocket costs the covered individual will
2 3	incur, if any, beyond the amount that the health carrier
4	will pay or reimburse; and
5	(2) in the case of a health maintenance organization or
6	another health carrier that provides health care services:
7	(A) provide a summary of the applicable benefit limitations
8	of the health care services to which the covered individual
9	is entitled; and
10	(B) state the out-of-pocket costs the covered individual will
11	incur, if any, beyond being provided the health care
12	services referred to in clause (A).
13	(b) A practitioner and provider facility shall provide a health
14	carrier with the information needed by the health carrier to
15	comply with the requirements under this chapter not more than
16	two (2) business days after receiving the request.
17	(c) A health carrier is not subject to the penalties under section
18	16 of this chapter if:
19	(1) a provider facility or practitioner fails to provide the
20	health carrier with the information as required under
21	subsection (b);
22	(2) the health carrier provides the individual with a good faith
23	estimate based on any information that the health carrier has;
24	and
25	(3) the health carrier provides the individual with an updated
26	good faith estimate after the provider facility or practitioner
27	has provided the information required under subsection (b).
28	Sec. 15. A health carrier that provides an Internet web site for
29	the use of its covered individuals shall ensure that the Internet web
30	site includes a printed notice that:
31	(1) is designed, lettered, and featured on the Internet web site
32	so as to be conspicuous to and readable by any individual with
33	normal vision who visits the Internet web site; and
34	(2) states the following, or words to the same effect: "A
35	covered individual may at any time ask the health carrier for
36	an estimate of the amount the health carrier will pay for or
37	reimburse to a covered individual for nonemergency health
38	care services that have been ordered for the covered
39	individual or the applicable benefit limitations of the ordered
40	nonemergency health care services a covered individual is
41	entitled to receive from the health carrier. The law requires
42	that an estimate be provided within 5 business days.".



1	Sec. 16. (a) If a health carrier fails or refuses:
2	(1) to provide a good faith estimate as required by this
3	chapter; or
4	(2) to provide notice on the health carrier's Internet web site
5	as required by section 15 of this chapter;
6	the insurance commissioner may, after notice and hearing under
7	IC 4-21.5, impose on the health carrier a civil penalty of not more
8	than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for each day of noncompliance
9	(b) A civil penalty collected under this section shall be deposited
10	in the department of insurance fund established by IC 27-1-3-28.
11	SECTION 18. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020] (a) As used in this
12	SECTION, "department" refers to the department of insurance.
13	(b) The following shall submit, before September 1, 2021, and
14	before September 1 of each year thereafter, a report described in
15	this SECTION to the department and the general assembly in an
16	electronic format under IC 5-14-6:
17	(1) An insurer (as defined in IC 27-1-2-3) that issues a policy
18	of accident and sickness insurance (as defined in IC 27-8-5-1)
19	(2) A health maintenance organization (as defined in
20	IC 27-13-1-19).
21	(c) The report must include the following concerning claims
22	from the preceding calendar year:
23	(1) The number of claims submitted to an insurer or health
24	maintenance organization described in subsection (b) for each
25	address for which a claim was submitted.
26	(2) For the claims described in subdivision (1), the number of
27	claims that were submitted for reimbursement at an
28	institutional provider rate or an office setting rate, and the
29	type of rate the claim was reimbursed at by the insurer of
30	health maintenance organization.
31	(d) The department may prescribe the manner in which the
32	report is made.
33	(e) This SECTION expires December 31, 2026.



#### COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Insurance, to which was referred House Bill 1004, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

(SEE TEXT OF BILL)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1004 as introduced.)

**CARBAUGH** 

Committee Vote: yeas 12, nays 0.

#### COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Health and Provider Services, to which was referred House Bill No. 1004, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

(SEE TEXT OF BILL)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1004 as printed January 24, 2020.)

CHARBONNEAU, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 4.

## SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Engrossed House Bill 1004 be amended to read as follows:

Page 2, line 19, delete "(a)".

Page 2, delete lines 22 through 23.

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Page 2, line 26, delete "(a)".

Page 2, delete lines 29 through 42.

Page 3, delete lines 1 through 3.

Page 3, line 7, delete "IC 16-51-1-6." and insert "IC 16-51-1-3.".

Page 3, delete lines 8 through 13.

Page 3, line 24, delete "IC 16-51-2," and insert "IC 16-51-1,".

Page 3, line 25, delete "IC 16-51-2-4." and insert "IC 16-51-1-4.".

Page 3, delete lines 26 through 42.

Page 4, delete lines 1 through 27.

Page 4, line 31, delete "IC 16-51-2," and insert "IC 16-51-1,".

Page 4, line 31, delete "IC 16-51-2-5." and insert "IC 16-51-1-5.".

Page 4, line 35, delete "IC 16-51-2," and insert "IC 16-51-1,".

Page 4, line 36, delete "IC 16-51-2-6." and insert "IC 16-51-1-6.".

Page 4, delete line 42.

Delete page 5.

Page 6, delete lines 1 through 18.

Page 16, delete lines 36 through 42.

Delete page 17.

Page 18, delete lines 1 through 3.

Page 32, line 4, after "2021," insert "and before September 1 of each year thereafter,".

Page 32, delete lines 11 through 16, begin a new paragraph and insert:

- "(c) The report must include the following concerning claims from the preceding calendar year:
  - (1) The number of claims submitted to an insurer or health maintenance organization described in subsection (b) for each address for which a claim was submitted.
  - (2) For the claims described in subdivision (1), THE number of claims that were submitted for reimbursement at an institutional provider rate or an office setting rate, and the type of rate the claim was reimbursed at by the insurer or health maintenance organization.
- (d) The department may prescribe the manner in which the report is made.
  - (e) This SECTION expires December 31, 2026.".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to EHB 1004 as printed February 28, 2020.)

**CHARBONNEAU** 



#### SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Engrossed House Bill 1004 be amended to read as follows:

Page 7, line 30, after "(a)" insert "This section does not apply to emergency services.

(b)".

Page 7, line 33, delete "(b)" and insert "(c)".

Page 7, line 37, delete "(c)" and insert "(d)".

Page 7, line 41, delete "(d)" and insert "(e)".

Page 8, line 11, delete "(e)" and insert "(f)".

Page 8, line 15, delete "(f)" and insert "(g)".

Page 8, line 16, after "services" insert "at an in network facility".

Page 9, line 10, delete "(g)" and insert "(h)".

Page 9, line 12, delete "(f)(1)(B)," and insert "(g)(1)(B),".

Page 14, line 1, after "carrier" insert " and a provider facility".

Page 14, line 5, delete "18" and insert "19".

Page 14, line 34, delete "state department" and insert "Indiana professional licensing agency".

Page 15, line 1, after "18." insert "(a) As used in this section, "waiting room" means a space in a building used by a practitioner in which people check in or register to:

- (1) be seen by practitioners; or
- (2) meet with members of the staff of a practitioner's office.
- (b) A practitioner shall ensure that each waiting room of the practitioner's office includes at least one (1) printed notice that:
  - (1) is designed, lettered, and positioned within the waiting room so as to be conspicuous to and readable by any individual with normal vision who visits the waiting room; and
  - (2) states the following, or words to the same effect: "A patient may ask for an estimate of the amount the patient will be charged for a nonemergency medical service provided in this practitioner office. The law requires that an estimate be provided within 5 business days.".
- (c) If a practitioner maintains an Internet web site, the practitioner shall ensure that the Internet web site includes at least one (1) printed notice that:
  - (1) is designed, lettered, and featured on the Internet web site so as to be conspicuous to and readable by any individual with normal vision who visits the Internet web site; and
  - (2) states the following, or words to the same effect: "A patient may ask for an estimate of the amount the patient will



be charged for a nonemergency medical service provided in our office. The law requires that an estimate be provided within 5 business days.".

Sec. 19.".

Page 15, line 9, delete "office" and insert "waiting room".

Page 18, between lines 7 and 8, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"Sec. 0.5. This chapter does not apply to emergency services.".

Page 18, delete lines 41 through 42.

Page 19, delete lines 1 through 12, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"Sec. 7. (a) An out of network practitioner who provides health care services at an in network facility to a covered individual may charge more for the health care services than allowed according to the rate or amount of compensation established by the individual's network plan if all of the following conditions are met: ".

Page 19, line 37, delete "charge."." and insert "charge. If our actual charge for [name or description of health care services] exceeds our estimate, we will explain to you why the charge exceeds the estimate."."

Page 20, line 1, delete "(c)" and insert "(b)".

(Reference is to EHB 1004 as printed February 28, 2020.)

**CHARBONNEAU** 

