

New law requires each Medicaid managed care organization which contracts with DHH to compensate, at a minimum, 90% of the Medicaid fee-for-service rate in effect for the dates of service for each service coded as a primary care service rendered to a newborn Medicaid beneficiary within 30 days of the beneficiary's birth regardless of whether the Medicaid provider rendering the services is contracted with the managed care organization, but subject to the same requirements as a contracted provider.

New law requires that on or before Jan. 1, 2014, and annually thereafter, DHH report to the legislative committees on health and welfare the incidence and causes of all re-hospitalizations of infants born premature at less than 37 weeks gestational age and who are within the first six months of life.

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(Adds R.S. 46:460.41 and 460.42)