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H 1536. DIABETES SELF-MANAGEMENT/REIMBURSEMENT. Filed 4/22/09. *PERTAINING TO MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FOR DIABETES OUTPATIENT SELF-MANAGEMENT EDUCATION PROGRAMS.*

Requires the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance (Division), to reimburse entities for providing a Diabetes Outpatient Self-Management Education Program regardless of whether the entity provides the program incident to a physician's professional services. Provides that the Division must provide reimbursement only if the entity (1) meets the National Standards for Diabetes Self-Management Education Programs (Standards), (2) has been recognized by the American Diabetes Association (ADA) for meeting the Standards, (3) has obtained a "Certificate of Recognition" from the ADA which is maintained by the provider and made available to the Division or its agent upon request, and (4) has received documentation certifying the need for diabetic training and documentation of the training provided. Provides that any pharmacy or pharmacist providing diabetes educational services for a Medicaid enrollee must obtain relevant patient history information and provide a summary, prepared or reviewed by the pharmacist providing the educational services, of specific problems discussed with the enrollee to the enrollee's primary physician. Clarifies that this act must not be interpreted to permit a pharmacist to engage in prescribing or modifying prescription orders or medication regimens under protocol without obtaining approval as a clinical pharmacy practitioner by the Pharmacy Board and the Medical Board.

Directs the Division to use funds appropriated for 2009-10 and 2010-11 to implement this act.

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