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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

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RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND  
HOSPITALS -- COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Introduced By: Senators Miller, DiMario, DiPalma, and Valverde

Date Introduced: March 01, 2022

Referred To: Senate Health & Human Services

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 40.1-8.5 of the General Laws entitled "Community Mental Health  
2 Services" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3           **40.1-8.5-8. Certified community behavioral health clinics.**

4           (a) The executive office of health and human services is authorized and directed to submit  
5 to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services a state plan  
6 amendment for the purposes of establishing Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics in  
7 accordance with Section 223 of the federal Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014.

8           (b) The executive office of health and human services shall amend its Title XIX state plan  
9 pursuant to Title XIX [42 U.S.C. § 1396 et seq.] and Title XXI [42 U.S.C § 1397 et seq.] of the  
10 Social Security Act as necessary to cover all required services for persons with mental health and  
11 substance use disorders at Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic through a daily or  
12 monthly bundled payment methodology that is specific to each organization's anticipated costs and  
13 inclusive of all required services within Section 223 of the federal Protecting Access to Medicare  
14 Act of 2014 and additional services identified by the department of behavioral healthcare,  
15 developmental disabilities and hospitals

16           (c) A certified community behavioral health clinic means any licensed community mental  
17 health center as defined by title 40.1 that meets the federal certification criteria of Section 223 of  
18 the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014 and additional criteria as defined by the department

1 of behavioral healthcare, developmental disabilities and hospitals including, but not limited to,  
2 these services:

- 3 (1) Outpatient mental health and substance use services;
  - 4 (2) Twenty-four (24) hour mobile crisis response and hotline services;
  - 5 (3) Screening, assessment, and diagnosis, including risk assessments;
  - 6 (4) Person-centered treatment planning;
  - 7 (5) Primary care screening and monitoring of key indicators of health risks;
  - 8 (6) Targeted case management;
  - 9 (7) Psychiatric rehabilitation services;
  - 10 (8) Peer support and family supports;
  - 11 (9) Medication-assisted treatment;
  - 12 (10) Assertive community treatment; and
  - 13 (11) Community-based mental health care for military service members and veterans.
- 14 (d) Subject to the approval from the United States Department of Health and Human  
15 Services' Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services, the certified community behavioral health  
16 clinic model pursuant to this chapter, shall be established by January 1, 2023, and include any  
17 enhanced Medicaid match for required services or populations served.

18 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and be subject to approval from the  
19 United States Department of Health and Human Services' Center for Medicaid and Medicare  
20 Services.

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EXPLANATION  
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1           This act would authorize and direct the executive office of health and human services to  
2 submit to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services a state plan  
3 amendment for the purposes of establishing certified community behavioral health clinics in our  
4 state.

5           This act would take effect upon passage and be subject to approval from the United States  
6 Department of Health and Human Services' Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services.

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