

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 234—ASSEMBLYMEMBER ANDERSON

FEBRUARY 17, 2025

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Requires Medicaid coverage for screening for certain forms of cancer. (BDR 38-893)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to Medicaid; requiring Medicaid to provide coverage for screening for certain forms of cancer; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law requires the Department of Health and Human Services to develop
 2 and administer a State Plan for Medicaid which includes a list of specific medical
 3 services required to be provided to recipients of Medicaid, including screening for
 4 breast and cervical cancer. (NRS 422.063, 422.270, 422.27174, 422.27176; 42
 5 U.S.C. § 1396a) **Section 1** of this bill requires the Director of the Department of
 6 Health and Human Services to include under Medicaid coverage for screening for
 7 lung, colorectal and prostate cancer. **Section 2** of this bill makes a conforming
 8 change to require the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services to
 9 administer the provisions of **section 1** in the same manner as other provisions
 10 relating to Medicaid.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 422 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
 2 thereto a new section to read as follows:
 3 **1. *The Director shall include under Medicaid coverage for***
 4 ***screening for lung cancer, colorectal cancer and prostate cancer.***
 5 **2. *The Department shall:***
 6 ***(a) Apply to the Secretary of Health and Human Services for***
 7 ***any waiver of federal law or apply for any amendment of the State***
 8 ***Plan for Medicaid that is necessary for the Department to receive***
 9 ***federal funding to provide the coverage described in subsection 1.***



1 *(b) Fully cooperate in good faith with the Federal Government*
2 *during the application process to satisfy the requirements of the*
3 *Federal Government for obtaining a waiver or amendment*
4 *pursuant to paragraph (a).*

5 **Sec. 2.** NRS 232.320 is hereby amended to read as follows:

6 232.320 1. The Director:

7 (a) Shall appoint, with the consent of the Governor,
8 administrators of the divisions of the Department, who are
9 respectively designated as follows:

10 (1) The Administrator of the Aging and Disability Services
11 Division;

12 (2) The Administrator of the Division of Welfare and
13 Supportive Services;

14 (3) The Administrator of the Division of Child and Family
15 Services;

16 (4) The Administrator of the Division of Health Care
17 Financing and Policy; and

18 (5) The Administrator of the Division of Public and
19 Behavioral Health.

20 (b) Shall administer, through the divisions of the Department,
21 the provisions of chapters 63, 424, 425, 427A, 432A to 442,
22 inclusive, 446 to 450, inclusive, 458A and 656A of NRS, NRS
23 127.220 to 127.310, inclusive, 422.001 to 422.410, inclusive, *and*
24 *section 1 of this act*, 422.580, 432.010 to 432.133, inclusive,
25 432B.6201 to 432B.626, inclusive, 444.002 to 444.430, inclusive,
26 and 445A.010 to 445A.055, inclusive, and all other provisions of
27 law relating to the functions of the divisions of the Department, but
28 is not responsible for the clinical activities of the Division of Public
29 and Behavioral Health or the professional line activities of the other
30 divisions.

31 (c) Shall administer any state program for persons with
32 developmental disabilities established pursuant to the
33 Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of
34 2000, 42 U.S.C. §§ 15001 et seq.

35 (d) Shall, after considering advice from agencies of local
36 governments and nonprofit organizations which provide social
37 services, adopt a master plan for the provision of human services in
38 this State. The Director shall revise the plan biennially and deliver a
39 copy of the plan to the Governor and the Legislature at the
40 beginning of each regular session. The plan must:

41 (1) Identify and assess the plans and programs of the
42 Department for the provision of human services, and any
43 duplication of those services by federal, state and local agencies;

44 (2) Set forth priorities for the provision of those services;



1 (3) Provide for communication and the coordination of those
2 services among nonprofit organizations, agencies of local
3 government, the State and the Federal Government;

4 (4) Identify the sources of funding for services provided by
5 the Department and the allocation of that funding;

6 (5) Set forth sufficient information to assist the Department
7 in providing those services and in the planning and budgeting for the
8 future provision of those services; and

9 (6) Contain any other information necessary for the
10 Department to communicate effectively with the Federal
11 Government concerning demographic trends, formulas for the
12 distribution of federal money and any need for the modification of
13 programs administered by the Department.

14 (e) May, by regulation, require nonprofit organizations and state
15 and local governmental agencies to provide information regarding
16 the programs of those organizations and agencies, excluding
17 detailed information relating to their budgets and payrolls, which the
18 Director deems necessary for the performance of the duties imposed
19 upon him or her pursuant to this section.

20 (f) Has such other powers and duties as are provided by law.

21 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Director, or
22 the Director's designee, is responsible for appointing and removing
23 subordinate officers and employees of the Department.

24 **Sec. 3.** 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and
25 approval.

26 2. Sections 1 and 2 of this act become effective:

27 (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any
28 regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative
29 tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

30 (b) On January 1, 2026, for all other purposes.



