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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2       An act relating to health care; providing a directive  
3       to the Division of Law Revision and Information;  
4       amending s. 409.811, F.S.; revising and providing  
5       definitions; transferring, renumbering, and amending  
6       s. 624.91, F.S.; revising the Florida Healthy Kids  
7       Corporation Act to include the Healthy Florida  
8       program; revising participation guidelines for  
9       nonsubsidized enrollees in the Healthy Kids program;  
10      revising the medical loss ratio requirements for  
11      contracts for the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation;  
12      modifying the membership of the corporation's board of  
13      directors; creating an executive steering committee;  
14      requiring additional corporate compliance  
15      requirements; amending s. 409.813, F.S.; revising the  
16      components of Florida Kidcare; prohibiting a cause of  
17      action from arising against the Florida Healthy Kids  
18      Corporation for failure to make health services  
19      available; amending s. 409.8132, F.S.; revising the  
20      eligibility of the Medikids program component;  
21      revising the enrollment requirements for Medikids;  
22      amending s. 409.8134, F.S., relating to Florida  
23      Kidcare; conforming provisions to changes made by the  
24      act; amending s. 409.814, F.S.; revising eligibility  
25      requirements for Florida Kidcare; amending s. 409.815,  
26      F.S.; revising certain minimum health benefits  
27      coverage under Florida Kidcare; deleting obsolete  
28      provisions; amending s. 409.816, F.S.; conforming  
29      provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s.

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30 409.817, F.S., relating to the approval of health  
31 benefits coverage and financial assistance under the  
32 Kidcare program; repealing s. 409.8175, F.S., relating  
33 to the delivery of services in rural counties;  
34 amending s. 409.8177, F.S.; conforming provisions to  
35 changes made by the act; amending s. 409.818, F.S.;  
36 revising the duties of the Department of Children and  
37 Families and the Agency for Health Care Administration  
38 with regard to the Kidcare program; deleting the  
39 duties of the Department of Health and the Office of  
40 Insurance Regulation with regard to the Kidcare  
41 program; amending s. 409.820, F.S.; requiring the  
42 Department of Health, in consultation with the agency  
43 and the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation, to develop a  
44 minimum set of pediatric and adolescent quality  
45 assurance and access standards for all program  
46 components; creating s. 409.822, F.S.; creating the  
47 Healthy Florida program; providing eligibility and  
48 enrollment requirements; authorizing the corporation  
49 to contract with certain insurers, managed care  
50 organizations, and provider service networks;  
51 encouraging the corporation to contract with insurers  
52 and managed care organizations that participate in  
53 more than one affordable insurance program under  
54 certain circumstances; requiring the corporation to  
55 establish a benefits package and a process for payment  
56 of services; authorizing the corporation to collect  
57 premiums and copayments; requiring the corporation to  
58 oversee the Healthy Florida program and to establish a

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59 grievance process and integrity process; providing for  
60 the applicability of certain state laws for  
61 administering the program; requiring the corporation  
62 to collect certain data and to submit enrollment  
63 reports and interim independent evaluations to the  
64 Legislature; providing for expiration of the program;  
65 authorizing the corporation to comply with federal  
66 requirements upon giving notice to the Legislature;  
67 amending ss. 154.503, 408.910, and 408.915, F.S.;  
68 conforming cross-references; repealing s. 624.915,  
69 F.S., relating to the operating fund of the Florida  
70 Healthy Kids Corporation; amending ss. 627.6474,  
71 636.035, and 641.315, F.S.; prohibiting a contract  
72 between a health insurer, a prepaid health service  
73 organization, or a health maintenance organization and  
74 a dentist from requiring the dentist to provide  
75 services at a set fee under certain circumstances or  
76 to participate in a discount medical plan; amending s.  
77 766.1115, F.S.; revising a definition; requiring a  
78 contract with a governmental contractor for health  
79 care services to include a provision that a health  
80 care provider licensed under ch. 466, F.S., as an  
81 agent of the governmental contractor, may allow a  
82 patient or a parent or guardian of the patient to  
83 voluntarily contribute a fee to cover costs of dental  
84 laboratory work related to the services provided to  
85 the patient without forfeiting the provider's  
86 sovereign immunity; prohibiting the contribution from  
87 exceeding the actual amount of the dental laboratory

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88 charges; providing that the contribution complies with  
89 the requirements of s. 766.1115, F.S.; providing  
90 applicability; providing appropriations; providing an  
91 effective date.

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93 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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95 Section 1. The Division of Law Revision and Information is  
96 directed to rename part II of chapter 409, Florida Statutes, as  
97 the "Florida Kidcare and Healthy Florida Programs."

98 Section 2. Section 409.811, Florida Statutes, is reordered  
99 and amended to read:

100 409.811 Definitions ~~relating to Florida Kidcare Act.~~—As  
101 used in this part ~~ss. 409.810-409.821~~, the term:

102 (1) "Actuarially equivalent" means that:

103 (a) The aggregate value of the benefits included in health  
104 benefits coverage is equal to the value of the benefits in the  
105 benchmark benefit plan; and

106 (b) The benefits included in health benefits coverage are  
107 substantially similar to the benefits included in the child  
108 benchmark benefit plan, except that preventive health services  
109 must be the same as in the benchmark benefit plan.

110 (2) "Agency" means the Agency for Health Care  
111 Administration.

112 (3) "Applicant" means:

113 (a) A parent or guardian of a child or a child whose  
114 disability of nonage has been removed under chapter 743, who  
115 applies for a determination of eligibility ~~for health benefits~~  
116 ~~coverage~~ under Florida Kidcare; or

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117 (b) An individual who applies for a determination of  
118 eligibility under Healthy Florida ss. ~~409.810-409.821.~~

119 (5)(4) "Child benchmark benefit plan" means the form and  
120 level of health benefits coverage established under ~~in~~ s.  
121 409.815.

122 (4)(5) "Child" means a any person younger than ~~under~~ 19  
123 years of age.

124 (6) "Child with special health care needs" means a child  
125 whose serious or chronic physical or developmental condition  
126 requires extensive preventive and maintenance care beyond that  
127 required by typically healthy children. Health care utilization  
128 by such a child exceeds the statistically expected usage of the  
129 normal child adjusted for chronological age, and such a child  
130 often needs complex care requiring multiple providers,  
131 rehabilitation services, and specialized equipment in a number  
132 of different settings.

133 (7) "Children's Medical Services Network" or "network" has  
134 the same meaning ~~means a statewide managed care service system~~  
135 ~~as defined in s. 391.021(1).~~

136 (8) "CHIP" means the Children's Health Insurance Program as  
137 authorized under Title XXI of the Social Security Act,  
138 regulations adopted thereunder, and this part, and as  
139 administered in this state by the agency, the department, and  
140 the corporation pursuant to their respective jurisdictions.

141 ~~(8) "Community rate" means a method used to develop~~  
142 ~~premiums for a health insurance plan that spreads financial risk~~  
143 ~~across a large population and allows adjustments only for age,~~  
144 ~~gender, family composition, and geographic area.~~

145 (9) "Corporation" means the Florida Healthy Kids

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146 Corporation established under s. 409.8125.

147 (10)~~(9)~~ "Department" means the Department of Health.

148 (11)~~(10)~~ "Enrollee" means a child or adult who has been  
149 determined eligible for and is receiving coverage under this  
150 part ~~ss. 409.810-409.821.~~

151 ~~(11) "Family" means the group or the individuals whose~~  
152 ~~income is considered in determining eligibility for the Florida~~  
153 ~~Kidcare program. The family includes a child with a parent or~~  
154 ~~caretaker relative who resides in the same house or living unit~~  
155 ~~or, in the case of a child whose disability of nonage has been~~  
156 ~~removed under chapter 743, the child. The family may also~~  
157 ~~include other individuals whose income and resources are~~  
158 ~~considered in whole or in part in determining eligibility of the~~  
159 ~~child.~~

160 ~~(12) "Family income" means cash received at periodic~~  
161 ~~intervals from any source, such as wages, benefits,~~  
162 ~~contributions, or rental property. Income also may include any~~  
163 ~~money that would have been counted as income under the Aid to~~  
164 ~~Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) state plan in effect~~  
165 ~~prior to August 22, 1996.~~

166 (12)~~(13)~~ "Florida Kidcare Program," ~~"Kidcare program," or~~  
167 ~~"program"~~ means the health benefits program described in s.  
168 409.813 and administered under this part ~~through ss. 409.810-~~  
169 ~~409.821.~~

170 (13)~~(14)~~ "Guarantee issue" means that health benefits  
171 coverage must be offered to an individual regardless of the  
172 individual's health status, preexisting condition, or claims  
173 history.

174 (14)~~(15)~~ "Health benefits coverage" means protection that

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175 provides payment of benefits for covered health care services or  
176 that otherwise provides, ~~either~~ directly or through arrangements  
177 with other persons, covered health care services on a prepaid  
178 per capita basis or on a prepaid aggregate fixed-sum basis.

179 (15) ~~(16)~~ "Health insurance plan" means health benefits  
180 coverage under the following:

181 (a) A health plan offered by a a ~~any~~ certified health  
182 maintenance organization or authorized health insurer, except  
183 for a plan that is limited to the following: a limited benefit,  
184 specified disease, or specified accident; hospital indemnity;  
185 accident only; limited benefit convalescent care; Medicare  
186 supplement; credit disability; dental; vision; long-term care;  
187 disability income; coverage issued as a supplement to another  
188 health plan; workers' compensation liability or other insurance;  
189 or motor vehicle medical payment only; or

190 (b) An employee welfare benefit plan that includes health  
191 benefits established under the Employee Retirement Income  
192 Security Act of 1974, as amended.

193 (16) "Healthy Florida" means the program established under  
194 s. 409.822.

195 (17) "Healthy Kids" means a component of Florida Kidcare  
196 created under s. 409.8125 for children who are 5 through 18  
197 years of age.

198 (18) "Household income" has the same meaning as in s.  
199 36B(d) (2) (A) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and applies to  
200 the individual or household whose income is being considered in  
201 determining eligibility for Florida Kidcare or Healthy Florida.

202 (19) ~~(17)~~ "Medicaid" means the medical assistance program  
203 authorized by Title XIX of the Social Security Act, and

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204 regulations thereunder, and ~~ss. 409.901-409.920~~, as administered  
205 in this state by the agency.

206 (20)~~(18)~~ "Medically necessary" means the use of any medical  
207 treatment, service, equipment, or supply necessary to palliate  
208 the effects of a terminal condition, or to prevent, diagnose,  
209 correct, cure, alleviate, or preclude deterioration of a  
210 condition that threatens life, causes pain or suffering, or  
211 results in illness or infirmity and which is:

212 (a) Consistent with the symptom, diagnosis, and treatment  
213 of the enrollee's condition;

214 (b) Provided in accordance with generally accepted  
215 standards of medical practice;

216 (c) Not primarily intended for the convenience of the  
217 enrollee, the enrollee's family, or the health care provider;

218 (d) The most appropriate level of supply or service for the  
219 diagnosis and treatment of the enrollee's condition; and

220 (e) Approved by the appropriate medical body or health care  
221 specialty involved as effective, appropriate, and essential for  
222 the care and treatment of the enrollee's condition.

223 (21)~~(19)~~ "Medikids" means a component of the Florida  
224 Kidcare program of medical assistance authorized by Title XXI of  
225 the Social Security Act, and regulations thereunder, and s.  
226 409.8132, as administered in the state by the agency.

227 (22) "Modified adjusted gross income" has the same meaning  
228 as in s. 36B(d)(2)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and  
229 applies to the individual or household whose income is being  
230 considered in determining eligibility for Florida Kidcare or  
231 Healthy Florida.

232 (23) "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act" means the



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233 federal law enacted as Pub. L. No. 111-148, as amended by the  
234 Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, Pub. L.  
235 No. 111-152, and any regulations or guidance adopted or issued  
236 pursuant to those acts.

237 (24)~~(20)~~ "Preexisting condition exclusion" means, with  
238 respect to coverage, a limitation or exclusion of benefits  
239 relating to a condition based on the fact that the condition was  
240 present before the date of enrollment for such coverage,  
241 regardless of whether ~~or not~~ any medical advice, diagnosis,  
242 care, or treatment was recommended or received before such date.

243 (25)~~(21)~~ "Premium" means the entire cost of a health  
244 insurance plan, including the administration fee or the risk  
245 assumption charge.

246 (26)~~(22)~~ "Premium assistance payment" means the monthly  
247 consideration paid toward health insurance premiums by the  
248 agency per enrollee in ~~the Florida Kidcare Program towards~~  
249 ~~health insurance premiums.~~

250 (27)~~(23)~~ "Qualified alien" means an alien as defined in 8  
251 U.S.C. s. 1641 (b) and (c) s. 431 of the Personal Responsibility  
252 and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, as amended,  
253 Pub. L. No. 104-193.

254 (28)~~(24)~~ "Resident" means a United States citizen, or  
255 qualified alien, who is domiciled in this state.

256 (29)~~(25)~~ "Rural county" means a county having a population  
257 density of less than 100 persons per square mile, or a county  
258 defined by the most recent United States Census as rural, in  
259 which there was ~~is~~ no prepaid health plan participating in the  
260 Medicaid program as of July 1, 1998.

261 ~~(26) "Substantially similar" means that, with respect to~~

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262 ~~additional services as defined in s. 2103(c)(2) of Title XXI of~~  
 263 ~~the Social Security Act, these services must have an actuarial~~  
 264 ~~value equal to at least 75 percent of the actuarial value of the~~  
 265 ~~coverage for that service in the benchmark benefit plan and,~~  
 266 ~~with respect to the basic services as defined in s. 2103(c)(1)~~  
 267 ~~of Title XXI of the Social Security Act, these services must be~~  
 268 ~~the same as the services in the benchmark benefit plan.~~

269 Section 3. Section 624.91, Florida Statutes, is transferred  
 270 and renumbered as section 409.8125, Florida Statutes, and is  
 271 reordered and amended to read:

272 409.8125 ~~624.91~~ The Florida Healthy Kids Corporation Act.-

273 (1) SHORT TITLE.-This section may be cited as the "William  
 274 G. 'Doc' Myers Healthy Kids Corporation Act."

275 (2) LEGISLATIVE INTENT.-

276 ~~(a)~~ The Legislature finds that increased access to health  
 277 care services could improve children's health and reduce the  
 278 incidence and costs of childhood illness and disabilities among  
 279 children in this state. Many children do not have comprehensive,  
 280 affordable health care services available. It is the intent of  
 281 the Legislature that the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation  
 282 provide comprehensive health insurance coverage to such  
 283 children. The corporation is encouraged to cooperate with ~~any~~  
 284 existing health service programs funded by the public or the  
 285 private sector.

286 ~~(b)~~ It is also the intent of the Legislature:

287 (a) That the ~~Florida~~ Healthy Kids program, established and  
 288 administered by the corporation, serve as one of several  
 289 providers of services to children eligible for medical  
 290 assistance under the federal Children's Health Insurance Program

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291 ~~(CHIP) Title XXI of the Social Security Act.~~ Although Healthy  
292 Kids ~~the corporation~~ may serve other children, the Legislature  
293 intends that the primary enrollees ~~recipients~~ of services  
294 provided through the corporation be uninsured school-age  
295 children eligible for CHIP ~~with a family income below 200~~  
296 ~~percent of the federal poverty level, who do not qualify for~~  
297 ~~Medicaid.~~ It is also the intent of the Legislature that state  
298 and local government ~~Florida Healthy Kids~~ funds be used to  
299 continue coverage, subject to specific appropriations in the  
300 General Appropriations Act, to children not eligible for federal  
301 matching funds under CHIP ~~Title XXI~~.

302 (b) That the corporation administer and manage services for  
303 Healthy Florida, a health care program for uninsured adults,  
304 using a unique network of providers and contracts. Enrollees in  
305 Healthy Florida shall receive comprehensive health care services  
306 from private, licensed health insurers that meet standards  
307 established by the corporation. It is further the intent of the  
308 Legislature that these enrollees participate in their own health  
309 care decisionmaking and contribute financially toward their  
310 medical costs. The Legislature intends to provide an alternative  
311 benefit package that includes a full range of services that meet  
312 the needs of the residents of this state. As a new program, the  
313 Legislature intends that a comprehensive analysis be conducted  
314 to measure the overall impact of the program and evaluate  
315 whether the program should be renewed after an initial 3-year  
316 term.

317 (6)(3) ELIGIBILITY FOR STATE-FUNDED ASSISTANCE.—Only the  
318 following individuals are eligible for state-funded assistance  
319 in paying ~~Florida~~ Healthy Kids or Healthy Florida premiums:

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320 (a) Residents of this state who are eligible for ~~the~~  
 321 Florida Kidcare ~~program~~ pursuant to s. 409.814 or Healthy  
 322 Florida pursuant to s. 409.822.

323 (b) Notwithstanding s. 409.814, legal aliens who are  
 324 enrolled in ~~the Florida Healthy Kids program~~ as of January 31,  
 325 2004, who do not qualify for CHIP Title XXI ~~federal~~ funds  
 326 because they are not qualified aliens as ~~defined in s. 409.811.~~

327 (7)(4) NONENTITLEMENT. Nothing in This section does not  
 328 provide shall be construed as providing an individual with an  
 329 entitlement to health care services. No cause of action shall  
 330 arise against the state, the ~~Florida Healthy Kids~~ corporation,  
 331 or a unit of local government for failure to make health  
 332 services available under this section.

333 (3)(5) CORPORATION AUTHORIZATION, DUTIES, POWERS.-

334 (a) ~~There is created~~ The Florida Healthy Kids Corporation  
 335 is hereby established as, a not-for-profit corporation.

336 (b) The ~~Florida Healthy Kids~~ corporation shall:

337 1. Arrange for the collection of any family, individual, or  
 338 local contributions, ~~or employer payment or premium,~~ in an  
 339 amount to be determined by the board of directors, to provide  
 340 for payment of premiums for comprehensive insurance coverage and  
 341 for the actual or estimated administrative expenses.

342 2. Arrange for the collection of ~~any~~ voluntary  
 343 contributions ~~to provide~~ for the payment of premiums for  
 344 enrollees in Florida Kidcare or Healthy Florida program ~~premiums~~  
 345 ~~for children who are not eligible for medical assistance under~~  
 346 ~~Title XIX or Title XXI of the Social Security Act.~~

347 3. Subject to ~~the provisions of~~ s. 409.8134, accept  
 348 voluntary supplemental local match contributions that comply

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349 with CHIP ~~the requirements of Title XXI of the Social Security~~  
350 ~~Act~~ for the purpose of providing additional Florida Kidcare  
351 coverage in contributing counties under CHIP ~~Title XXI~~.

352 4. Establish ~~the~~ administrative and accounting procedures  
353 for the operation of the corporation.

354 5. Establish, with consultation from appropriate  
355 professional organizations, standards for preventive health  
356 services and providers and comprehensive insurance benefits  
357 appropriate to children, ~~provided that~~ Such standards for rural  
358 areas ~~may shall~~ not require that limit primary care providers be  
359 ~~to~~ board-certified pediatricians.

360 6. Determine eligibility for children seeking to  
361 participate in CHIP ~~the Title XXI-funded components of the~~  
362 ~~Florida Kidcare program~~ consistent with the requirements  
363 specified in s. 409.814, as well as ~~the non-Title XXI-eligible~~  
364 children not eligible under CHIP as provided in subsection (6)  
365 ~~(3)~~.

366 7. Establish procedures under which providers of local  
367 match to, applicants to, and participants in Healthy Kids or  
368 Healthy Families ~~the program~~ may have grievances reviewed by an  
369 impartial body and reported to the board of directors of the  
370 corporation.

371 8. Establish participation criteria and, if appropriate,  
372 contract with an authorized insurer, health maintenance  
373 organization, or third-party administrator to provide  
374 administrative services to the corporation.

375 9. Establish enrollment criteria that include penalties or  
376 30-day waiting periods ~~of 30 days~~ for reinstatement of coverage  
377 upon voluntary cancellation for nonpayment of family and

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378 individual premiums under the programs.

379 10. Contract with authorized insurers or providers ~~any~~  
380 ~~provider~~ of health care services who meet the, ~~meeting~~ standards  
381 established by the corporation, ~~for the provision of~~  
382 comprehensive insurance coverage to participants. Such standards  
383 must shall include criteria under which the corporation may  
384 contract with more than one provider of health care services in  
385 program sites.

386 a. Health plans shall be selected through a competitive bid  
387 process.

388 b. The ~~Florida Healthy Kids~~ corporation shall purchase  
389 goods and services in the most cost-effective manner consistent  
390 with the delivery of quality medical care. The maximum  
391 administrative cost for a ~~Florida Healthy Kids~~ corporation  
392 contract is shall be 15 percent. For all health care contracts,  
393 the minimum medical loss ratio is for a Florida Healthy Kids  
394 ~~Corporation contract shall be~~ 85 percent. The calculations must  
395 use uniform financial data collected from all plans in a format  
396 established by the corporation and computed for each insurer on  
397 a statewide basis. Funds shall be classified in a manner  
398 consistent with 45 C.F.R. part 158 ~~For dental contracts, the~~  
399 ~~remaining compensation to be paid to the authorized insurer or~~  
400 ~~provider under a Florida Healthy Kids Corporation contract shall~~  
401 ~~be no less than an amount which is 85 percent of premium; to the~~  
402 ~~extent any contract provision does not provide for this minimum~~  
403 ~~compensation, this section shall prevail.~~

404 c. The health plan selection criteria, and scoring system,  
405 and ~~the~~ scoring results must, ~~shall~~ be available upon request  
406 for inspection after ~~the~~ bids have been awarded.

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407 11. Establish disenrollment criteria if ~~in the event~~ local  
408 matching funds are insufficient to cover enrollments.

409 12. Develop and implement a plan to publicize ~~the~~ Florida  
410 Kidcare and Healthy Florida ~~program~~, the eligibility  
411 requirements of the programs ~~program~~, and the procedures for  
412 enrollment in the programs ~~program~~ and to maintain public  
413 awareness of the corporation and the programs ~~program~~.

414 13. Secure staff necessary to properly administer the  
415 corporation. Staff costs shall be funded from state and local  
416 matching funds and such other private or public funds as become  
417 available. The board of directors shall determine the number of  
418 staff members necessary to administer the corporation.

419 14. In consultation with the partner agencies, provide an  
420 annual ~~a~~ report on ~~the~~ Florida Kidcare ~~program~~ ~~annually~~ to the  
421 Governor, the Chief Financial Officer, the Commissioner of  
422 Education, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House  
423 of Representatives, and the Minority Leaders of the Senate and  
424 the House of Representatives.

425 15. Provide information on a quarterly basis to the  
426 Legislature and the Governor which compares the costs and  
427 utilization of the full-pay enrolled population and the CHIP-  
428 subsidized ~~Title XXI-subsidized~~ enrolled population in ~~the~~  
429 Florida Kidcare ~~program~~. ~~The information~~, At a minimum, the  
430 information must include:

431 a. The monthly enrollment and expenditure for full-pay  
432 enrollees in the Medikids and ~~Florida~~ Healthy Kids programs  
433 compared to the CHIP-subsidized ~~Title XXI-subsidized~~ enrolled  
434 population; and

435 b. The costs and utilization by service of the full-pay

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436 enrollees in the Medikids and Florida Healthy Kids programs and  
437 the CHIP-subsidized ~~Title XXI-subsidized~~ enrolled population.

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439 ~~By February 1, 2010, the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation shall~~  
440 ~~provide a study to the Legislature and the Governor on premium~~  
441 ~~impacts to the subsidized portion of the program from the~~  
442 ~~inclusion of the full-pay program, which shall include~~  
443 ~~recommendations on how to eliminate or mitigate possible impacts~~  
444 ~~to the subsidized premiums.~~

445 16. Notify all current full-pay enrollees of the  
446 availability of the exchange, as defined in the federal Patient  
447 Protection and Affordable Care Act, and how to access other  
448 affordable insurance options. New applications for full-pay  
449 coverage may not be accepted after September 30, 2014.

450 17.16. Establish benefit packages that conform to ~~the~~  
451 ~~provisions of the Florida Kidcare program, as created under this~~  
452 ~~part in ss. 409.810-409.821.~~

453 (c) Coverage under the corporation's programs ~~program~~ is  
454 secondary to any other available private coverage held by, or  
455 applicable to, the participant ~~child~~ or family member. Insurers  
456 under contract with the corporation are the payors of last  
457 resort and must coordinate benefits with any other third-party  
458 payor that may be liable for the participant's medical care.

459 (d) The ~~Florida Healthy Kids~~ corporation shall be a private  
460 corporation not for profit, registered, incorporated, and  
461 organized pursuant to chapter 617, and shall have all powers  
462 necessary to carry out the purposes of this section ~~act~~,  
463 including, but not limited to, the power to receive and accept  
464 grants, loans, or advances of funds from any public or private



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465 agency and to receive and accept from any source contributions  
 466 of money, property, labor, or any other thing of value, to be  
 467 held, used, and applied for the purposes of this section ~~act~~.  
 468 The corporation and any committees it forms shall comply with  
 469 part III of chapter 112 and chapters 119 and 286.

470 (4) ~~(6)~~ BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND MANAGEMENT SUPERVISION.—

471 (a) The ~~Florida Healthy Kids~~ corporation shall operate  
 472 subject to the supervision and approval of a board of directors  
 473 chaired by an appointee designated by the Governor ~~Chief~~  
 474 ~~Financial Officer or her or his designee~~, and composed of 15 ~~12~~  
 475 other members. The Senate shall confirm the designated chair and  
 476 other board appointees ~~selected~~ for 3-year terms of office as  
 477 follows:

478 1. The Secretary of Health Care Administration, or his or  
 479 her designee, as an ex-officio member.

480 2. The State Surgeon General, or his or her designee, as an  
 481 ex-officio member ~~One member appointed by the Commissioner of~~  
 482 ~~Education from the Office of School Health Programs of the~~  
 483 ~~Florida Department of Education.~~

484 3. The Secretary of Children and Families, or his or her  
 485 designee, as an ex-officio member ~~One member appointed by the~~  
 486 ~~Chief Financial Officer from among three members nominated by~~  
 487 ~~the Florida Pediatric Society.~~

488 4. Four members ~~One member~~, appointed by the Governor, ~~who~~  
 489 ~~represents the Children's Medical Services Program.~~

490 5. Two members ~~One member~~ appointed by the President of the  
 491 Senate ~~Chief Financial Officer from among three members~~  
 492 ~~nominated by the Florida Hospital Association.~~

493 6. Two members ~~One member~~, appointed by the Senate Minority

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494 ~~Leader Governor, who is an expert on child health policy.~~

495 7. Two members ~~One member,~~ appointed by the Speaker of the  
496 House of Representatives Chief Financial Officer, from among  
497 ~~three members nominated by the Florida Academy of Family~~  
498 ~~Physicians.~~

499 8. Two members ~~One member,~~ appointed by the House Minority  
500 Leader Governor, who represents the state Medicaid program.

501 9. ~~One member,~~ appointed by the ~~Chief Financial Officer,~~  
502 ~~from among three members nominated by the Florida Association of~~  
503 ~~Counties.~~

504 10. ~~The State Health Officer or her or his designee.~~

505 11. ~~The Secretary of Children and Family Services, or his~~  
506 ~~or her designee.~~

507 12. ~~One member,~~ appointed by the ~~Governor,~~ from among three  
508 ~~members nominated by the Florida Dental Association.~~

509 (b) A member of the board of directors may be removed by  
510 the official who made the appointment ~~appointed that member.~~ The  
511 board shall appoint an executive director, who is responsible  
512 for other staff authorized by the board.

513 (c) Board members are entitled to receive, from funds of  
514 the corporation, reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses  
515 as provided by s. 112.061.

516 (d) There is ~~shall be~~ no liability on the part of, and no  
517 cause of action shall arise against, any member of the board of  
518 directors, or its employees or agents, for any action they take  
519 in the performance of their powers and duties under this act.

520 (e) Board members who are serving on or before the  
521 effective date of this act or similar legislation may remain  
522 until July 1, 2015.

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523 (f) An executive steering committee is created to provide  
524 direction and support to management and to make recommendations  
525 to the board on programs. The steering committee consists of the  
526 Secretary of Health Care Administration, the Secretary of  
527 Children and Families, and the State Surgeon General, who may  
528 not delegate their membership or attendance.

529 (5)-(7) LICENSING NOT REQUIRED; FISCAL OPERATION.-

530 (a) The corporation is ~~shall~~ not be deemed an insurer. The  
531 officers, directors, and employees of the corporation may ~~shall~~  
532 not be deemed to be agents of an insurer. Neither the  
533 corporation nor any officer, director, or employee of the  
534 corporation is subject to the licensing requirements of the  
535 insurance code or the rules of the Department of Financial  
536 Services or the Office of Insurance Regulation. However, any  
537 marketing representative used ~~utilized~~ and compensated by the  
538 corporation must be appointed as a representative of the  
539 insurers or health services providers with which the corporation  
540 contracts.

541 (b) The board has complete fiscal control over the  
542 corporation and is responsible for all corporate operations.

543 (c) The Department of Financial Services shall supervise  
544 any liquidation or dissolution of the corporation and ~~shall~~  
545 ~~have~~, with respect to such liquidation or dissolution, shall  
546 have all power granted to it pursuant to the insurance code.

547 Section 4. Section 409.813, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
548 read:

549 409.813 Health benefits coverage; program components;  
550 entitlement and nonentitlement.-

551 (1) The Florida Kidcare program includes health benefits

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552 coverage provided to children through the following program  
 553 components, which shall be marketed as ~~the~~ Florida Kidcare  
 554 ~~program~~:

555 (a) Medicaid;

556 (b) Medikids as created in s. 409.8132;

557 (c) ~~The Florida Healthy Kids Corporation~~ as created in s.  
 558 409.8125 ~~s. 624.91~~; and

559 ~~(d) Employer-sponsored group health insurance plans~~  
 560 ~~approved under ss. 409.810-409.821; and~~

561 (d)-(e) The Children's Medical Services network established  
 562 in chapter 391.

563 (2) Except for CHIP-funded ~~Title XIX-funded~~ Florida Kidcare  
 564 program coverage under the Medicaid program, coverage under ~~the~~  
 565 Florida Kidcare ~~program~~ is not an entitlement. No cause of  
 566 action shall arise against the state, the department, the  
 567 Department of Children and Families ~~Family Services~~, ~~or~~ the  
 568 agency, or the corporation for failure to make health services  
 569 available to any person under this part ~~ss. 409.810-409.821~~.

570 Section 5. Subsections (6) and (7) of section 409.8132,  
 571 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

572 409.8132 Medikids program component.—

573 (6) ELIGIBILITY.—

574 (a) A child who has attained the age of 1 year but who is  
 575 under the age of 5 years is eligible to enroll in the Medikids  
 576 program component of ~~the~~ Florida Kidcare ~~program~~, if the child  
 577 is a member of a family that has a household ~~family~~ income  
 578 greater than ~~which exceeds~~ the Medicaid applicable income level  
 579 ~~as~~ specified in s. 409.903, but which is equal to or below 200  
 580 percent of the current federal poverty level. In determining the

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581 eligibility of such a child, an assets test is not required. A  
 582 ~~child who is eligible for Medikids may elect to enroll in~~  
 583 ~~Florida Healthy Kids coverage or employer-sponsored group~~  
 584 ~~coverage. However, a child who is eligible for Medikids may~~  
 585 ~~participate in the Florida Healthy Kids Program only if the~~  
 586 ~~child has a sibling participating in the Florida Healthy Kids~~  
 587 ~~Program and the child's county of residence permits such~~  
 588 ~~enrollment.~~

589 (b) The provisions of s. 409.814 apply to the Medikids  
 590 program.

591 (7) ENROLLMENT.—Enrollment in ~~the~~ Medikids ~~program~~  
 592 ~~component~~ may occur at any time throughout the year. A child may  
 593 not receive services under ~~the~~ Medikids ~~program~~ until the child  
 594 is enrolled in a managed care plan or MediPass. Once determined  
 595 eligible, an applicant may receive choice counseling and select  
 596 a managed care plan or MediPass. The agency may initiate  
 597 mandatory assignment for a Medikids applicant who has not chosen  
 598 a managed care plan or MediPass provider after the applicant's  
 599 voluntary choice period ends. An applicant may select MediPass  
 600 under the Medikids program component only in counties that have  
 601 fewer than two managed care plans available to serve Medicaid  
 602 recipients ~~and only if the federal Health Care Financing~~  
 603 ~~Administration determines that MediPass constitutes "health~~  
 604 ~~insurance coverage" as defined in Title XXI of the Social~~  
 605 ~~Security Act.~~

606 Section 6. Subsection (2) of section 409.8134, Florida  
 607 Statutes, is amended to read:

608 409.8134 Program expenditure ceiling; enrollment.—

609 (2) ~~The~~ Florida Kidcare ~~program~~ may conduct enrollment

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610 continuously throughout the year.

611 (a) Children eligible for coverage under the CHIP-funded  
612 ~~Title XXI-funded~~ Florida Kidcare program shall be enrolled on a  
613 first-come, first-served basis using the date the enrollment  
614 application is received. Enrollment shall immediately cease when  
615 the expenditure ceiling is reached. Year-round enrollment shall  
616 ~~only~~ be held only if the Social Services Estimating Conference  
617 determines that sufficient federal and state funds will be  
618 available to finance the increased enrollment.

619 (b) ~~An~~ The application for ~~the~~ Florida Kidcare ~~program~~ is  
620 valid for a ~~period of~~ 120 days after the date it was received.  
621 ~~At the end of the 120-day period,~~ If the applicant has not been  
622 enrolled in the program by the end of the 120-day period, the  
623 application is invalid and the applicant shall be notified of  
624 the action. The applicant may reactivate the application after  
625 notification of the action taken by the program.

626 (c) Except for the Medicaid program, if ~~whenever~~ the Social  
627 Services Estimating Conference determines that there are  
628 presently, or ~~will be~~ by the end of the current fiscal year will  
629 be, insufficient funds to finance the current or projected  
630 enrollment in ~~the~~ Florida Kidcare ~~program~~, all additional  
631 enrollment must cease and ~~additional enrollment~~ may not resume  
632 until sufficient funds are available to finance such enrollment.

633 Section 7. Section 409.814, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
634 read:

635 409.814 Eligibility.—A child ~~who has not reached 19 years~~  
636 ~~of age~~ whose household ~~family~~ income is equal to or below 200  
637 percent of the federal poverty level is eligible for ~~the~~ Florida  
638 Kidcare ~~program~~ as provided in this section. If an enrolled

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639 individual is determined to be ineligible for coverage, he or  
640 she must be immediately disenrolled from the respective Florida  
641 Kidcare program component and referred to another affordable  
642 insurance program.

643 (1) A child who is eligible for Medicaid coverage under s.  
644 409.903 or s. 409.904 must be offered an opportunity to enroll  
645 enrolled in Medicaid and is not eligible to receive health  
646 benefits under any other health benefits coverage authorized  
647 under the Florida Kidcare program. A child who is eligible for  
648 Medicaid and opts to enroll in CHIP may disenroll from CHIP at  
649 any time and transition to Medicaid. Such transition must occur  
650 without a break in coverage.

651 (2) A child who is not eligible for Medicaid, but who is  
652 eligible for another component of the Florida Kidcare ~~program~~,  
653 may obtain health benefits coverage under any of the other  
654 components listed in s. 409.813 if such coverage is approved and  
655 available in the county in which the child resides.

656 (3) A CHIP-funded ~~Title XXI-funded~~ child who is eligible  
657 for ~~the~~ Florida Kidcare ~~program~~ who is a child with special  
658 health care needs, as determined through a medical or behavioral  
659 screening instrument, is eligible for health benefits coverage  
660 from, ~~and~~ shall be assigned to, and may opt out of the  
661 Children's Medical Services Network.

662 (4) The following children are not eligible to receive  
663 CHIP-funded ~~Title XXI-funded~~ premium assistance for health  
664 benefits coverage under ~~the~~ Florida Kidcare ~~program~~, except  
665 under Medicaid if the child would have been eligible for  
666 Medicaid under s. 409.903 or s. 409.904 as of June 1, 1997:

667 (a) A child who is covered under a family member's group

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668 health benefit plan or under other private or employer health  
669 insurance coverage, if the cost of the child's participation is  
670 not greater than 5 percent of the household ~~family's~~ income. If  
671 a child is otherwise eligible for a subsidy under ~~the~~ Florida  
672 Kidcare ~~program~~ and the cost of the child's participation in the  
673 family member's health insurance benefit plan is greater than 5  
674 percent of the household ~~family's~~ income, the child may enroll  
675 in the appropriate subsidized Florida Kidcare program component.

676 ~~(b) A child who is seeking premium assistance for the~~  
677 ~~Florida Kidcare program through employer-sponsored group~~  
678 ~~coverage, if the child has been covered by the same employer's~~  
679 ~~group coverage during the 60 days before the family submitted an~~  
680 ~~application for determination of eligibility under the program.~~

681 ~~(b)(e)~~ A child who is an alien, but who does not meet the  
682 definition of qualified alien, in the United States.

683 ~~(c)(d)~~ A child who is an inmate of a public institution or  
684 a patient in an institution for mental diseases.

685 ~~(d)(e)~~ A child who is otherwise eligible for premium  
686 assistance for ~~the~~ Florida Kidcare ~~program~~ and has had his or  
687 her coverage in an employer-sponsored or private health benefit  
688 plan voluntarily canceled in the last 60 days, except those  
689 children whose coverage was voluntarily canceled for good cause,  
690 including, but not limited to, the following circumstances:

691 1. The cost of participation in an employer-sponsored  
692 health benefit plan is greater than 5 percent of the household's  
693 modified adjusted gross ~~family's~~ income;

694 2. The parent lost a job that provided an employer-  
695 sponsored health benefit plan for children;

696 3. The parent who had health benefits coverage for the



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697 child is deceased;

698 4. The child has a medical condition that, without medical  
699 care, would cause serious disability, loss of function, or  
700 death;

701 5. The employer of the parent canceled health benefits  
702 coverage for children;

703 6. The child's health benefits coverage ended because the  
704 child reached the maximum lifetime coverage amount;

705 7. The child has exhausted coverage under a COBRA  
706 continuation provision;

707 8. The health benefits coverage does not cover the child's  
708 health care needs; or

709 9. Domestic violence led to loss of coverage.

710 ~~(5) A child who is otherwise eligible for the Florida  
711 Kidcare program and who has a preexisting condition that  
712 prevents coverage under another insurance plan as described in  
713 paragraph (4) (a) which would have disqualified the child for the  
714 Florida Kidcare program if the child were able to enroll in the  
715 plan is eligible for Florida Kidcare coverage when enrollment is  
716 possible.~~

717 (5)(6) A child whose household's modified adjusted gross  
718 family income is above 200 percent of the federal poverty level  
719 or a child who is excluded under ~~the provisions of~~ subsection  
720 (4) may participate in ~~the~~ Florida Kidcare ~~program~~ as provided  
721 in s. 409.8132 or, if the child is ineligible for Medikids by  
722 reason of age, in the ~~Florida~~ Healthy Kids program, subject to  
723 the following:

724 (a) The family is not eligible for premium assistance  
725 payments and must pay the full cost of the premium, including

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726 any administrative costs.

727 (b) The board of directors of the Florida Healthy Kids  
728 Corporation may offer a reduced benefit package to these  
729 children in order to limit program costs for such families.

730 (c) The corporation shall notify all current full-pay  
731 enrollees of the availability of the exchange and how to access  
732 other affordable insurance options.

733 (6)~~(7)~~ Once a child is enrolled in ~~the~~ Florida Kidcare  
734 program, the child is eligible for coverage for 12 months  
735 without a redetermination or reverification of eligibility~~r~~, if  
736 the family continues to pay the applicable premium. Eligibility  
737 for program components funded through CHIP ~~Title XXI of the~~  
738 ~~Social Security Act~~ terminates when a child attains the age of  
739 19. A child who has not attained the age of 5 and who has been  
740 determined eligible for the Medicaid program is eligible for  
741 coverage for 12 months without a redetermination or  
742 reverification of eligibility.

743 (7)~~(8)~~ When determining or reviewing a child's eligibility  
744 under ~~the~~ Florida Kidcare Program, the applicant shall be  
745 provided with reasonable notice of changes in eligibility which  
746 may affect enrollment in one or more of the program components.  
747 If a transition from one program component to another is  
748 authorized, there must ~~shall~~ be cooperation between the program  
749 components and the affected family which promotes continuity of  
750 health care coverage. Any authorized transfers must be managed  
751 within the program's overall appropriated or authorized levels  
752 of funding. Each component of the program shall establish a  
753 reserve to ensure that transfers between components are ~~will be~~  
754 accomplished within current year appropriations. These reserves

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755 shall be reviewed by each convening of the Social Services  
 756 Estimating Conference to determine their ~~the~~ adequacy ~~of such~~  
 757 ~~reserves~~ to meet actual experience.

758 ~~(8)-(9)~~ In determining the eligibility of a child, an assets  
 759 test is not required. Each applicant shall provide documentation  
 760 during the application process and the redetermination process,  
 761 including, but not limited to, the following:

762 (a) Proof of household ~~family~~ income, which must be  
 763 verified electronically to determine financial eligibility for  
 764 ~~the~~ Florida Kidcare ~~program~~. Written documentation, which may  
 765 include wages and earnings statements or pay stubs, W-2 forms,  
 766 or a copy of the applicant's most recent federal income tax  
 767 return, is required only if the electronic verification is not  
 768 available or does not substantiate the applicant's income.

769 (b) A statement from all applicable, employed household  
 770 ~~family~~ members that:

771 1. Their employers do not sponsor health benefit plans for  
 772 employees;

773 2. The potential enrollee is not covered by an employer-  
 774 sponsored health benefit plan; or

775 3. The potential enrollee is covered by an employer-  
 776 sponsored health benefit plan and the cost of the employer-  
 777 sponsored health benefit plan is more than 5 percent of the  
 778 household's modified adjusted gross ~~family's~~ income.

779 (c) To enroll in the Children's Medical Services Network, a  
 780 completed application, including a clinical screening.

781 (d) Eligibility shall be determined through electronic  
 782 matching using the federally managed data services hub and other  
 783 resources. Written documentation from the applicant may be

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784 accepted if the electronic verification does not substantiate  
785 the applicant's income or if there has been a change in  
786 circumstances.

787 (9)~~(10)~~ Subject to paragraph (4)(a), the Florida Kidcare  
788 program shall withhold benefits from an enrollee if the program  
789 obtains evidence that the enrollee is no longer eligible,  
790 submitted incorrect or fraudulent information in order to  
791 establish eligibility, or failed to provide verification of  
792 eligibility. The applicant or enrollee shall be notified that  
793 because of such evidence, program benefits will be withheld  
794 unless the applicant or enrollee contacts a designated  
795 representative of the program by a specified date, which must be  
796 within 10 working days after the date of notice, to discuss and  
797 resolve the matter. The program shall make every effort to  
798 resolve the matter within a timeframe that does ~~will~~ not cause  
799 benefits to be withheld from an eligible enrollee.

800 (10)~~(11)~~ The following individuals may be subject to  
801 prosecution in accordance with s. 414.39:

802 (a) An applicant obtaining or attempting to obtain benefits  
803 for a potential enrollee under ~~the~~ Florida Kidcare if program  
804 ~~when~~ the applicant knows or should have known the potential  
805 enrollee does not qualify for ~~the~~ Florida Kidcare ~~program~~.

806 (b) An individual who assists an applicant in obtaining or  
807 attempting to obtain benefits for a potential enrollee under ~~the~~  
808 Florida Kidcare if program ~~when~~ the individual knows or should  
809 have known the potential enrollee does not qualify for ~~the~~  
810 Florida Kidcare ~~program~~.

811 Section 8. Subsection (2) of section 409.815, Florida  
812 Statutes, is amended to read:

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813 409.815 Health benefits coverage; limitations.—

814 (2) BENCHMARK BENEFITS.—In order for health benefits  
815 coverage to qualify for premium assistance payments for an  
816 eligible child under this part ~~ss. 409.810-409.821~~, the health  
817 benefits coverage, except for coverage under Medicaid and  
818 Medikids, must include the following minimum benefits, as  
819 medically necessary.

820 (a) *Preventive health services*.—Covered services include:

- 821 1. Well-child care, including services recommended in the  
822 Guidelines for Health Supervision of Children and Youth as  
823 developed by the American Academy of Pediatrics;
- 824 2. Immunizations and injections;
- 825 3. Health education counseling and clinical services;
- 826 4. Vision screening; and
- 827 5. Hearing screening.

828 (b) *Inpatient hospital services*.—All covered services  
829 provided for the medical care and treatment of an enrollee who  
830 is admitted as an inpatient to a hospital licensed under part I  
831 of chapter 395, with the following exceptions:

- 832 1. All admissions must be authorized by the enrollee's  
833 health benefits coverage provider.
- 834 2. The length of the patient stay shall be ~~determined~~ based  
835 on the medical condition of the enrollee in relation to the  
836 necessary and appropriate level of care.
- 837 3. Room and board may be limited to semiprivate  
838 accommodations, unless a private room is considered medically  
839 necessary or semiprivate accommodations are not available.
- 840 4. Admissions for rehabilitation and physical therapy are  
841 limited to 15 days per contract year.

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842 (c) *Emergency services.*—Covered services include visits to  
843 an emergency room or other licensed facility if needed  
844 immediately due to an injury or illness and delay means risk of  
845 permanent damage to the enrollee's health. Health maintenance  
846 organizations must ~~shall~~ comply with ~~the provisions of~~ s.  
847 641.513.

848 (d) *Maternity services.*—Covered services include maternity  
849 and newborn care, including prenatal and postnatal care, with  
850 the following limitations:

851 1. Coverage may be limited to the fee for vaginal  
852 deliveries; and

853 2. Initial inpatient care for newborn infants of enrolled  
854 adolescents is ~~shall be~~ covered, including normal newborn care,  
855 nursery charges, and the initial pediatric or neonatal  
856 examination, and the infant may be covered for up to 3 days  
857 following birth.

858 (e) *Organ transplantation services.*—Covered services  
859 include pretransplant, transplant, and postdischarge services  
860 and treatment of complications after transplantation if for  
861 ~~transplants~~ deemed necessary and appropriate within the  
862 guidelines set by the Organ Transplant Advisory Council under s.  
863 765.53 or the Bone Marrow Transplant Advisory Panel under s.  
864 627.4236.

865 (f) *Outpatient services.*—Covered services include  
866 preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic, palliative care, and other  
867 services provided to an enrollee in the outpatient portion of a  
868 health facility licensed under chapter 395, except for the  
869 following limitations:

870 1. Services must be authorized by the enrollee's health

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871 benefits coverage provider; and

872 2. Treatment for temporomandibular joint disease (TMJ) is  
873 specifically excluded.

874 (g) *Behavioral health services.*—

875 1. Mental health benefits include:

876 a. Inpatient services, ~~limited to 30 inpatient days per~~  
877 ~~contract year~~ for psychiatric admissions, or residential  
878 services in facilities licensed under s. 394.875(6) or s.  
879 395.003 in lieu of inpatient psychiatric admissions; ~~however, a~~  
880 ~~minimum of 10 of the 30 days shall be available only for~~  
881 ~~inpatient psychiatric services~~ if authorized by a physician; and

882 b. Outpatient services, including outpatient visits for  
883 psychological or psychiatric evaluation, diagnosis, and  
884 treatment by a licensed mental health professional, ~~limited to~~  
885 ~~40 outpatient visits each contract year.~~

886 2. Substance abuse services include:

887 a. Inpatient services, ~~limited to 7 inpatient days per~~  
888 ~~contract year~~ for medical detoxification only and ~~30 days of~~  
889 residential services; and

890 b. Outpatient services, including evaluation, diagnosis,  
891 and treatment by a licensed practitioner, ~~limited to 40~~  
892 ~~outpatient visits per contract year.~~

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894 ~~Effective October 1, 2009,~~ Covered services include inpatient  
895 and outpatient services for mental and nervous disorders as  
896 defined in the most recent edition of the Diagnostic and  
897 Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders published by the American  
898 Psychiatric Association. Such benefits include psychological or  
899 psychiatric evaluation, diagnosis, and treatment by a licensed

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900 mental health professional and inpatient, outpatient, and  
901 residential treatment of substance abuse disorders. Any benefit  
902 limitations, including duration of services, number of visits,  
903 or number of days for hospitalization or residential services,  
904 may ~~shall~~ not be any less favorable than those for physical  
905 illnesses generally. The program may also implement appropriate  
906 financial incentives, peer review, utilization requirements, and  
907 other methods used for the management of benefits provided for  
908 other medical conditions in order to reduce service costs and  
909 utilization without compromising quality of care.

910 (h) *Durable medical equipment.*—Covered services include  
911 equipment and devices that are medically indicated to assist in  
912 the treatment of a medical condition and specifically prescribed  
913 as medically necessary, with the following limitations:

914 1. Low-vision and telescopic aids ~~aides~~ are not included.

915 2. Corrective lenses and frames may be limited to one pair  
916 every 2 years, unless the prescription or head size of the  
917 enrollee changes.

918 3. Hearing aids are ~~shall be~~ covered only if ~~when~~ medically  
919 indicated to assist in the treatment of a medical condition.

920 4. Covered prosthetic devices include artificial eyes and  
921 limbs, braces, and other artificial aids.

922 (i) *Health practitioner services.*—Covered services include  
923 services and procedures rendered to an enrollee if ~~when~~  
924 performed to diagnose and treat diseases, injuries, or other  
925 conditions, including care rendered by health practitioners  
926 acting within the scope of their practice, with the following  
927 exceptions:

928 1. Chiropractic services shall be provided in the same



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929 manner as under ~~in~~ the ~~Florida~~ Medicaid program.

930 2. Podiatric services may be limited to one visit per day  
931 totaling two visits per month for specific foot disorders.

932 (j) *Home health services.*—Covered services include  
933 prescribed home visits by both registered and licensed practical  
934 nurses to provide skilled nursing services on a part-time  
935 intermittent basis, subject to the following limitations:

936 1. Coverage may be limited to include skilled nursing  
937 services only;

938 2. Meals, housekeeping, and personal comfort items may be  
939 excluded; and

940 3. Private duty nursing is limited to circumstances where  
941 such care is medically necessary.

942 (k) *Hospice services.*—Covered services include reasonable  
943 and necessary services for palliation or management of an  
944 enrollee's terminal illness, ~~with the following exceptions:~~

945 ~~1. Once a family elects to receive hospice care for an~~  
946 ~~enrollee, other services that treat the terminal condition will~~  
947 ~~not be covered; and~~

948 ~~2. Services required for conditions totally unrelated to~~  
949 ~~the terminal condition are covered to the extent that the~~  
950 ~~services are included in this section.~~

951 (l) *Laboratory and X-ray services.*—Covered services include  
952 diagnostic testing, including clinical radiologic, laboratory,  
953 and other diagnostic tests.

954 (m) *Nursing facility services.*—Covered services include  
955 regular nursing services, rehabilitation services, drugs and  
956 biologicals, medical supplies, and the use of appliances and  
957 equipment furnished by the facility, with the following

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958 limitations:

959 1. All admissions must be authorized by the health benefits  
960 coverage provider.

961 2. The length of the patient stay shall be ~~determined~~ based  
962 on the medical condition of the enrollee in relation to the  
963 necessary and appropriate level of care, but is limited to ~~not~~  
964 ~~more than~~ 100 days per contract year.

965 3. Room and board may be limited to semiprivate  
966 accommodations, unless a private room is considered medically  
967 necessary or semiprivate accommodations are not available.

968 4. Specialized treatment centers and independent kidney  
969 disease treatment centers are excluded.

970 5. Private duty nurses, television, and custodial care are  
971 excluded.

972 6. Admissions for rehabilitation and physical therapy are  
973 limited to 15 days per contract year.

974 (n) *Prescribed drugs.*—

975 1. Coverage includes ~~shall include~~ drugs prescribed for the  
976 treatment of illness or injury if ~~when~~ prescribed by a licensed  
977 health practitioner acting within the scope of his or her  
978 practice.

979 2. Prescribed drugs may be limited to generics if available  
980 and brand name products if a generic substitution is not  
981 available, unless the prescribing licensed health practitioner  
982 indicates that a brand name is medically necessary.

983 3. Prescribed drugs covered under this section ~~shall~~  
984 include all prescribed drugs covered under the ~~Florida~~ Medicaid  
985 program.

986 (o) *Therapy services.*—Covered services include

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987 rehabilitative services, including occupational, physical,  
 988 respiratory, and speech therapies, with the following  
 989 limitations:

990 1. Services must be for short-term rehabilitation where  
 991 significant improvement in the enrollee's condition will result;  
 992 and

993 2. Services are ~~shall be~~ limited to ~~not more than~~ 24  
 994 treatment sessions within a 60-day period per episode or injury,  
 995 with the 60-day period beginning with the first treatment.

996 (p) *Transportation services.*—Covered services include  
 997 emergency transportation required in response to an emergency  
 998 situation.

999 (q) *Dental services.*—~~Effective October 1, 2009,~~ Dental  
 1000 services are ~~shall be~~ covered as required under federal law and  
 1001 may also include ~~those~~ dental benefits provided to children by  
 1002 the ~~Florida~~ Medicaid program under s. 409.906(6).

1003 (r) *Lifetime maximum.*—Health benefits coverage obtained  
 1004 under this part ~~ss. 409.810–409.820~~ shall pay an enrollee's  
 1005 covered expenses at a lifetime maximum of \$1 million per covered  
 1006 child.

1007 (s) *Cost sharing.*—Cost-sharing provisions must comply with  
 1008 s. 409.816.

1009 (t) *Exclusions.*—

1010 1. Experimental or investigational procedures that have not  
 1011 been clinically proven by reliable evidence are excluded;

1012 2. Services performed for cosmetic purposes only or for the  
 1013 convenience of the enrollee are excluded; and

1014 3. Abortion may be covered only if necessary to save the  
 1015 life of the mother or if the pregnancy is the result of an act

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1016 of rape or incest.

1017 (u) *Enhancements to minimum requirements.*—

1018 1. This section sets the minimum benefits that must be  
1019 included in any health benefits coverage, other than Medicaid or  
1020 Medikids coverage, offered under this part ~~ss. 409.810-409.821~~.  
1021 Health benefits coverage may include additional benefits not  
1022 included under this subsection, but may not include benefits  
1023 excluded under paragraph (s).

1024 2. Health benefits coverage may extend any limitations  
1025 beyond the minimum benefits described in this section.

1026  
1027 Except for the Children's Medical Services Network, the agency  
1028 may not increase the premium assistance payment for ~~either~~  
1029 additional benefits provided beyond the minimum benefits  
1030 described in this section or the imposition of less restrictive  
1031 service limitations.

1032 (v) *Applicability of other state laws.*—Health insurers,  
1033 health maintenance organizations, and their agents are subject  
1034 to ~~the provisions of~~ the Florida Insurance Code, except for any  
1035 ~~such~~ provisions waived under ~~in~~ this section.

1036 1. Except as expressly provided in this section, a law  
1037 requiring coverage for a specific health care service or  
1038 benefit, or a law requiring reimbursement, utilization, or  
1039 consideration of a specific category of licensed health care  
1040 practitioner, does not apply to a health insurance plan policy  
1041 or contract offered or delivered under this part ~~ss. 409.810-~~  
1042 ~~409.821~~ unless that law is made expressly applicable to such  
1043 policies or contracts.

1044 2. Notwithstanding chapter 641, a health maintenance

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1045 organization may issue contracts providing benefits equal to,  
1046 exceeding, or actuarially equivalent to the benchmark benefit  
1047 plan authorized by this section and may pay providers located in  
1048 a rural county negotiated fees or Medicaid reimbursement rates  
1049 for services provided to enrollees who are residents of the  
1050 rural county.

1051 (w) *Reimbursement of federally qualified health centers and*  
1052 *rural health clinics.* ~~Effective October 1, 2009,~~ Payments for  
1053 services provided to enrollees by federally qualified health  
1054 centers and rural health clinics under this section shall be  
1055 reimbursed using the Medicaid Prospective Payment System as  
1056 provided ~~for~~ under s. 2107(e) (1) (D) of the Social Security Act.  
1057 If such services are paid ~~for~~ by health insurers or health care  
1058 providers under contract with the ~~Florida Healthy Kids~~  
1059 corporation, such entities are responsible for this payment. The  
1060 agency may seek ~~any~~ available federal grants to assist with this  
1061 transition.

1062 Section 9. Section 409.816, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
1063 read:

1064 409.816 Limitations on premiums and cost sharing.—The  
1065 following limitations on premiums and cost sharing are  
1066 established for the program.

1067 (1) Enrollees who receive coverage under the Medicaid  
1068 program may not be required to pay:

1069 (a) Enrollment fees, premiums, or similar charges; or  
1070 (b) Copayments, deductibles, coinsurance, or similar  
1071 charges.

1072 (2) Enrollees in households that have ~~families with~~ a  
1073 modified adjusted gross ~~family~~ income equal to or below 150

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1074 percent of the federal poverty level, who are not receiving  
 1075 coverage under the Medicaid program, are ~~may~~ not ~~be~~ required to  
 1076 pay:

1077 (a) Enrollment fees, premiums, or similar charges that  
 1078 exceed the maximum monthly charge permitted under s. 1916(b)(1)  
 1079 of the Social Security Act; or

1080 (b) Copayments, deductibles, coinsurance, or similar  
 1081 charges that exceed a nominal amount, as determined consistent  
 1082 with regulations referred to in s. 1916(a)(3) of the Social  
 1083 Security Act. However, such charges may not be imposed for  
 1084 preventive services, including well-baby and well-child care,  
 1085 age-appropriate immunizations, and routine hearing and vision  
 1086 screenings.

1087 (3) Enrollees in households that have ~~families with~~ a  
 1088 modified adjusted gross family income above 150 percent of the  
 1089 federal poverty level who are not receiving coverage under the  
 1090 Medicaid program or who are not eligible under s. 409.814(5) ~~s.~~  
 1091 ~~409.814(6)~~ may be required to pay enrollment fees, premiums,  
 1092 copayments, deductibles, coinsurance, or similar charges on a  
 1093 sliding scale related to income, except that the total annual  
 1094 aggregate cost sharing with respect to all children in a  
 1095 household family may not exceed 5 percent of the household's  
 1096 modified adjusted family's income. However, copayments,  
 1097 deductibles, coinsurance, or similar charges may not be imposed  
 1098 for preventive services, including well-baby and well-child  
 1099 care, age-appropriate immunizations, and routine hearing and  
 1100 vision screenings.

1101 Section 10. Section 409.817, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

1102 Section 11. Section 409.8175, Florida Statutes, is

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1103 repealed.

1104 Section 12. Subsection (1) of section 409.8177, Florida  
1105 Statutes, is amended to read:

1106 409.8177 Program evaluation.—

1107 (1) The agency, in consultation with the Department of  
1108 Health, the Department of Children and Families ~~Family Services~~,  
1109 and the ~~Florida Healthy Kids~~ corporation, shall contract for an  
1110 evaluation of ~~the~~ Florida Kidcare ~~program~~ and shall by January 1  
1111 of each year submit to the Governor, the President of the  
1112 Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives a report  
1113 of the program. In addition to the items specified under s. 2108  
1114 of Title XXI of the Social Security Act, the report shall  
1115 include an assessment of crowd-out and access to health care, as  
1116 well as the following:

1117 (a) An assessment of the operation of the program,  
1118 including the progress made in reducing the number of uncovered  
1119 low-income children.

1120 (b) An assessment of the effectiveness in increasing the  
1121 number of children with creditable health coverage, including an  
1122 assessment of the impact of outreach.

1123 (c) The characteristics of the children and families  
1124 assisted under the program, including ages of the children,  
1125 household ~~family~~ income, and access to or coverage by other  
1126 health insurance before enrolling in ~~prior to~~ the program and  
1127 after disenrollment from the program.

1128 (d) The quality of health coverage provided, including the  
1129 types of benefits provided.

1130 (e) The amount and level, including payment of part or all  
1131 of any premium, of assistance provided.

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- 1132 (f) The average length of coverage of a child under the  
1133 program.
- 1134 (g) The program's choice of health benefits coverage and  
1135 other methods used for providing child health assistance.
- 1136 (h) The sources of nonfederal funding used in the program.
- 1137 (i) An assessment of the effectiveness of the Florida  
1138 Kidcare program, including Medicaid, the ~~Florida~~ Healthy Kids  
1139 program, Medikids, and the Children's Medical Services Network,  
1140 and other public and private programs in the state in increasing  
1141 the availability of affordable quality health insurance and  
1142 health care for children.
- 1143 (j) A review and assessment of state activities to  
1144 coordinate the program with other public and private programs.
- 1145 (k) An analysis of changes and trends in the state that  
1146 affect the provision of health insurance and health care to  
1147 children.
- 1148 (l) A description of any plans the state has for improving  
1149 the availability of health insurance and health care for  
1150 children.
- 1151 (m) Recommendations for improving the program.
- 1152 (n) Other studies as necessary.
- 1153 Section 13. Section 409.818, Florida Statutes, is amended  
1154 to read:
- 1155 409.818 Administration.—In order to administer this part  
1156 ~~implement ss. 409.810-409.821~~, the following agencies shall have  
1157 the following duties:
- 1158 (1) The Department of Children and Families ~~Family Services~~  
1159 shall:
- 1160 (a) Maintain ~~Develop~~ a simplified eligibility determination



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1161 ~~and renewal process application mail-in form to be used for~~  
1162 ~~determining the eligibility of children for coverage under the~~  
1163 Florida Kidcare ~~program~~, in consultation with the agency, the  
1164 Department of Health, and the ~~Florida Healthy Kids~~ corporation.  
1165 The simplified eligibility process ~~application form~~ must include  
1166 ~~an item that provides~~ an opportunity for the applicant to  
1167 indicate whether coverage is being sought for a child with  
1168 special health care needs. Families applying for children's  
1169 Medicaid coverage must also be able to use the simplified  
1170 application process ~~form~~ without having to pay a premium.

1171 (b) Establish and maintain the eligibility determination  
1172 process under the program except as specified in subsection (3),  
1173 which includes the following: ~~(5)~~.

1174 1. The department shall directly, or through the services  
1175 of a contracted third-party administrator, establish and  
1176 maintain a process ~~to be for determining eligibility of children~~  
1177 ~~for coverage under the program. The eligibility determination~~  
1178 ~~process must be~~ used solely for determining the eligibility of  
1179 applicants for health benefits coverage under the program. The  
1180 eligibility determination process must include an initial  
1181 determination of eligibility for any coverage offered under the  
1182 program, as well as a redetermination or reverification of  
1183 eligibility each subsequent 6 months. ~~Effective January 1, 1999,~~  
1184 A child who has not attained ~~the age of~~ 5 years of age and who  
1185 has been determined eligible for the Medicaid program is  
1186 eligible for coverage for 12 months without a redetermination or  
1187 reverification of eligibility. In conducting an eligibility  
1188 determination, the department shall determine if the child has  
1189 special health care needs.

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1190       2. The department, in consultation with the agency ~~for~~  
 1191 ~~Health Care Administration~~ and the ~~Florida Healthy Kids~~  
 1192 corporation, shall develop procedures for redetermining  
 1193 eligibility which enable applicants and enrollees ~~a family~~ to  
 1194 easily update any change in circumstances which could affect  
 1195 eligibility.

1196       3. The department may accept changes in ~~a family's~~ status  
 1197 as reported to the department by the ~~Florida Healthy Kids~~  
 1198 corporation or the exchange as defined under the Patient  
 1199 Protection and Affordable Care Act without requiring a new  
 1200 application ~~from the family~~. Redetermination of a child's  
 1201 eligibility for Medicaid may not be linked to a child's  
 1202 eligibility determination for other programs.

1203       4. The department, in consultation with the agency and the  
 1204 corporation, shall develop a combined eligibility notice to  
 1205 inform applicants or enrollees of their application or renewal  
 1206 status, as appropriate. By January 1, 2015, the content of the  
 1207 notice must be coordinated to meet all federal and state law and  
 1208 regulatory requirements under the federal Patient Protection and  
 1209 Affordable Care Act. The notice shall be issued by the last  
 1210 agency or department to make an eligibility, renewal, or denial  
 1211 determination.

1212       (c) Inform program applicants about eligibility  
 1213 determinations and provide information about eligibility of  
 1214 applicants to ~~the Florida Kidcare program~~ and to insurers and  
 1215 their agents, ~~through a centralized coordinating office.~~

1216       (d) Adopt rules necessary for conducting program  
 1217 eligibility functions.

1218       ~~(2) The Department of Health shall:~~

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1219 ~~(a) Design an eligibility intake process for the program,~~  
1220 ~~in coordination with the Department of Children and Family~~  
1221 ~~Services, the agency, and the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation.~~  
1222 ~~The eligibility intake process may include local intake points~~  
1223 ~~that are determined by the Department of Health in coordination~~  
1224 ~~with the Department of Children and Family Services.~~

1225 ~~(b) Chair a state-level Florida Kidcare coordinating~~  
1226 ~~council to review and make recommendations concerning the~~  
1227 ~~implementation and operation of the program. The coordinating~~  
1228 ~~council shall include representatives from the department, the~~  
1229 ~~Department of Children and Family Services, the agency, the~~  
1230 ~~Florida Healthy Kids Corporation, the Office of Insurance~~  
1231 ~~Regulation of the Financial Services Commission, local~~  
1232 ~~government, health insurers, health maintenance organizations,~~  
1233 ~~health care providers, families participating in the program,~~  
1234 ~~and organizations representing low-income families.~~

1235 ~~(c) In consultation with the Florida Healthy Kids~~  
1236 ~~Corporation and the Department of Children and Family Services,~~  
1237 ~~establish a toll-free telephone line to assist families with~~  
1238 ~~questions about the program.~~

1239 ~~(d) Adopt rules necessary to implement outreach activities.~~

1240 (2)(3) Pursuant to The agency for Health Care  
1241 Administration, under the authority granted in s. 409.914(1),  
1242 the agency shall:

1243 (a) Calculate the premium assistance payment necessary to  
1244 comply with the premium and cost-sharing limitations specified  
1245 in s. 409.816 and the Patient Protection and Affordable Care  
1246 Act. The premium assistance payment for each enrollee in a  
1247 health insurance plan participating in the ~~Florida Healthy Kids~~

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1248 corporation must ~~shall~~ equal the premium approved by the Florida  
1249 Healthy Kids corporation and the Office of Insurance Regulation  
1250 of the Financial Services Commission pursuant to ss. 627.410 and  
1251 641.31, less any enrollee's share of the premium established  
1252 within the limitations specified in s. 409.816. ~~The premium~~  
1253 ~~assistance payment for each enrollee in an employer-sponsored~~  
1254 ~~health insurance plan approved under ss. 409.810-409.821 shall~~  
1255 ~~equal the premium for the plan adjusted for any benchmark~~  
1256 ~~benefit plan actuarial equivalent benefit rider approved by the~~  
1257 ~~Office of Insurance Regulation pursuant to ss. 627.410 and~~  
1258 ~~641.31, less any enrollee's share of the premium established~~  
1259 ~~within the limitations specified in s. 409.816. In calculating~~  
1260 ~~the premium assistance payment levels for children with family~~  
1261 ~~coverage, the agency shall set the premium assistance payment~~  
1262 ~~levels for each child proportionately to the total cost of~~  
1263 ~~family coverage.~~

1264 (b) Make premium assistance payments to health insurance  
1265 plans on a periodic basis. The agency may use its Medicaid  
1266 fiscal agent or a contracted third-party administrator in making  
1267 these payments. The agency may require health insurance plans  
1268 that participate in the Medikids program ~~or employer-sponsored~~  
1269 ~~group health insurance~~ to collect premium payments from an  
1270 enrollee's family. Participating health insurance plans shall  
1271 report premium payments collected on behalf of enrollees in the  
1272 program to the agency in accordance with a schedule established  
1273 by the agency.

1274 (c) Monitor compliance with quality assurance and access  
1275 standards developed under s. 409.820 and in accordance with s.  
1276 2103(f) of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. s. 1397cc(f).

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1277 (d) Establish a mechanism for investigating and resolving  
 1278 complaints and grievances from program applicants, enrollees,  
 1279 and health benefits coverage providers, and maintain a record of  
 1280 complaints and confirmed problems. In the case of a child who is  
 1281 enrolled in a managed care ~~health maintenance~~ organization, the  
 1282 agency must use the provisions of s. 641.511 to address  
 1283 grievance reporting and resolution requirements.

1284 ~~(e) Approve health benefits coverage for participation in~~  
 1285 ~~the program, following certification by the Office of Insurance~~  
 1286 ~~Regulation under subsection (4).~~

1287 ~~(e)-(f) Adopt rules necessary for calculating premium~~  
 1288 ~~assistance payment levels, making premium assistance payments,~~  
 1289 ~~monitoring access and quality assurance standards and,~~  
 1290 ~~investigating and resolving complaints and grievances,~~  
 1291 ~~administering the Medikids program, and approving health~~  
 1292 ~~benefits coverage.~~

1293 (f) Contract with the corporation for the administration of  
 1294 Florida Kidcare and Healthy Florida and to facilitate the  
 1295 release of any federal and state funds.

1296  
 1297 The agency is designated the lead state agency for CHIP Title  
 1298 ~~XXI of the Social Security Act~~ for purposes of receipt of  
 1299 federal funds, for reporting purposes, and for ensuring  
 1300 compliance with federal and state regulations and rules.

1301 ~~(4) The Office of Insurance Regulation shall certify that~~  
 1302 ~~health benefits coverage plans that seek to provide services~~  
 1303 ~~under the Florida Kidcare program, except those offered through~~  
 1304 ~~the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation or the Children's Medical~~  
 1305 ~~Services Network, meet, exceed, or are actuarially equivalent to~~

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1306 ~~the benchmark benefit plan and that health insurance plans will~~  
1307 ~~be offered at an approved rate. In determining actuarial~~  
1308 ~~equivalence of benefits coverage, the Office of Insurance~~  
1309 ~~Regulation and health insurance plans must comply with the~~  
1310 ~~requirements of s. 2103 of Title XXI of the Social Security Act.~~  
1311 ~~The department shall adopt rules necessary for certifying health~~  
1312 ~~benefits coverage plans.~~

1313 ~~(3)(5)~~ The Florida Healthy Kids corporation shall retain  
1314 its functions as authorized under s. 409.8125 ~~in s. 624.91~~,  
1315 including eligibility determination for participation in ~~the~~  
1316 Healthy Kids program.

1317 ~~(4)(6)~~ The agency, the Department of Health, the Department  
1318 of Children and Families ~~Family Services~~, and the Florida  
1319 Healthy Kids corporation, ~~and the Office of Insurance~~  
1320 Regulation, after consultation with and approval of the Speaker  
1321 of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate,  
1322 may ~~are authorized to~~ make program modifications that are  
1323 necessary to overcome any objections of the United States  
1324 Department of Health and Human Services to obtain approval of  
1325 the state's CHIP ~~child health insurance~~ plan under Title XXI of  
1326 the Social Security Act.

1327 Section 14. Section 409.820, Florida Statutes, is amended  
1328 to read:

1329 409.820 Quality assurance and access standards.—Except for  
1330 Medicaid, the Department of Health, in consultation with the  
1331 agency and the ~~Florida Healthy Kids~~ corporation, shall develop a  
1332 minimum set of pediatric and adolescent quality assurance and  
1333 access standards for all program components. The standards must  
1334 include a process for granting exceptions to specific

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1335 requirements for quality assurance and access. Compliance with  
1336 the standards shall be a condition of program participation by  
1337 health benefits coverage providers. These standards must ~~shall~~  
1338 comply with ~~the provisions of~~ this chapter, and chapter 641, and  
1339 Title XXI of the Social Security Act.

1340 Section 15. Section 409.822, Florida Statutes, is created  
1341 to read:

1342 409.822 Healthy Florida.-

1343 (1) PROGRAM CREATION.-Healthy Florida, a health care  
1344 program for lower income, uninsured adults who meet the  
1345 eligibility guidelines established under s. 409.8125, is  
1346 created. The corporation shall administer the program under its  
1347 existing corporate governance and structure.

1348 (2) ELIGIBILITY.-To be eligible and to remain eligible for  
1349 Healthy Florida, an individual must be a resident of this state  
1350 and meet the following additional criteria:

1351 (a) Be identified as newly eligible, as defined in s.  
1352 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII) of the Social Security Act or s. 2001 of  
1353 the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, and as  
1354 may be further defined by federal regulation.

1355 (b) Maintain eligibility with the corporation and meet all  
1356 renewal requirements as established by the corporation.

1357 (c) Renew eligibility on at least an annual basis.

1358 (3) ENROLLMENT.-The corporation may begin the enrollment of  
1359 applicants in Healthy Florida on October 1, 2014. Enrollment may  
1360 occur directly, through the services of a third-party  
1361 administrator, referrals from the Department of Children and  
1362 Families, and the exchange as defined by the federal Patient  
1363 Protection and Affordable Care Act. When an enrollee disenrolls,

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1364 the corporation must provide him or her with information about  
1365 other affordable insurance programs and electronically refer the  
1366 enrollee to the exchange or other programs, as appropriate. The  
1367 earliest coverage effective date under the program shall be  
1368 January 1, 2015.

1369 (4) DELIVERY OF SERVICES.—The corporation shall contract  
1370 with authorized insurers licensed under chapter 627; managed  
1371 care organizations authorized under chapter 641; and provider  
1372 service networks authorized under ss. 409.912(4)(d) and  
1373 409.962(13) which are prepaid plans. These insurers, managed  
1374 care organizations, and provider service networks must meet  
1375 standards established by the corporation to provide  
1376 comprehensive health care services to enrollees who qualify for  
1377 services under this section. The corporation may contract for  
1378 such services on a statewide or regional basis. To encourage  
1379 continuity of care among enrollees who transition across  
1380 multiple affordable insurance programs, the corporation is  
1381 encouraged to contract with those insurers and managed care  
1382 organizations that participate in more than one such program.

1383 (a) The corporation shall establish access and network  
1384 standards for such contracts and ensure that contracted  
1385 providers have sufficient providers to meet enrollee needs.  
1386 Quality standards shall be developed by the corporation,  
1387 specific to the adult population, which take into consideration  
1388 recommendations from the National Committee on Quality  
1389 Assurance, stakeholders, and other existing performance  
1390 indicators from both public and commercial populations. The  
1391 corporation and its contracted health plans shall develop  
1392 policies that minimize the disruption of enrollee medical homes



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1393 when enrollees transition between affordable insurance plans.

1394 (b) The corporation shall provide an enrollee a choice of  
1395 plans. The corporation may select a plan if no selection has  
1396 been received before the coverage start date. Once enrolled, an  
1397 enrollee has an initial 90-day, free-look period before a lock-  
1398 in period of up to 12 months is applied. Exceptions to the lock-  
1399 in period must be offered to an enrollee for reasons based on  
1400 good cause or qualifying events.

1401 (c) The corporation may consider contracts that provide  
1402 family plans that would allow members from multiple state and  
1403 federally funded programs to remain together under the same  
1404 plan.

1405 (d) All contracts must meet the medical loss ratio  
1406 requirements under this part.

1407 (5) BENEFITS.—The corporation shall establish a benefits  
1408 package that is actuarially equivalent to the benchmark benefit  
1409 plan offered under s. 409.815(2), excluding dental, and meets  
1410 the alternative benefits package requirements under s. 1937 of  
1411 the Social Security Act. Benefits must be offered as an  
1412 integrated, single package.

1413 (a) In addition to benchmark benefits, health reimbursement  
1414 accounts or a comparable health savings account for each  
1415 enrollee must be established through the corporation or the  
1416 contracts managed by the corporation. Enrollees must be rewarded  
1417 for healthy behaviors, wellness program adherence, and other  
1418 activities established by the corporation which demonstrate  
1419 compliance with preventive care or disease management  
1420 guidelines. Funds deposited into these accounts may be used to  
1421 pay cost-sharing obligations or to purchase over-the-counter

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1422 health items to the extent allowed under federal law or  
1423 regulation.

1424 (b) Enhanced services may be offered if the cost of such  
1425 additional services provides savings to the overall plan.

1426 (c) The corporation shall establish a process for the  
1427 payment of wrap-around services not covered by the benchmark  
1428 benefit plan through a separate subcapitation process to its  
1429 contracted providers if it is determined that such services are  
1430 required by federal law. Such services would be covered if  
1431 deemed medically necessary on an individual basis. The  
1432 subcapitation pool is subject to a separate reconciliation  
1433 process under the medical loss ratio provisions in this part.

1434 (d) A prior authorization process and other utilization  
1435 controls may be established by the plan for any benefit if  
1436 approved by the corporation.

1437 (6) COST SHARING.—The corporation may collect premiums and  
1438 copayments from enrollees in accordance with federal law.  
1439 Amounts to be collected for Healthy Florida must be established  
1440 annually in the General Appropriations Act.

1441 (a) Payment of a monthly premium may be required before the  
1442 establishment of an enrollee's coverage start date and to retain  
1443 monthly coverage.

1444 (b) An enrollee who has a family income above the federal  
1445 poverty level may be required to make nominal copayments, in  
1446 accordance with federal rule, as a condition of receiving a  
1447 health care service.

1448 (c) A provider is responsible for the collection of point-  
1449 of-service cost-sharing obligations. The enrollee's cost-sharing  
1450 contribution is considered part of the provider's total

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1451 reimbursement. Failure to collect an enrollee's cost sharing  
1452 reduces the provider's share of the reimbursement.

1453 (7) PROGRAM MANAGEMENT.—The corporation is responsible for  
1454 the oversight of Healthy Florida. The agency shall seek a state  
1455 plan amendment or other appropriate federal approval to  
1456 implement Healthy Florida. The agency shall consult with the  
1457 corporation in the amendment's development and, by June 14,  
1458 2014, submit the state plan amendment to the federal Department  
1459 of Health and Human Services. The agency shall contract with the  
1460 corporation for the administration of Healthy Florida and for  
1461 the timely release of federal and state funds. The agency  
1462 retains its authority as provided in ss. 409.902 and 409.963.

1463 (a) The corporation shall establish a grievance resolution  
1464 process in which Healthy Florida enrollees are informed of their  
1465 rights under the Medicaid fair hearing process, as appropriate,  
1466 or any alternative resolution process adopted by the  
1467 corporation.

1468 (b) The corporation shall establish a program integrity  
1469 process to ensure compliance with program guidelines. At a  
1470 minimum, the corporation shall withhold benefits from an  
1471 applicant or enrollee if the corporation obtains evidence that  
1472 the applicant or enrollee is no longer eligible, submitted  
1473 incorrect or fraudulent information in order to establish  
1474 eligibility, or failed to provide verification of eligibility.  
1475 The corporation shall notify the applicant or enrollee that,  
1476 because of such evidence, program benefits must be withheld  
1477 unless the applicant or enrollee contacts a designated  
1478 representative of the corporation by a specified date, which  
1479 must be within 10 working days after the date of notice, to

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1480 discuss and resolve the matter. The corporation shall make every  
1481 effort to resolve the matter within a timeframe that does not  
1482 cause benefits to be withheld from an eligible enrollee. The  
1483 following individuals may be subject to specific prosecution in  
1484 accordance with s. 414.39:

1485 1. An applicant who obtains or attempts to obtain benefits  
1486 for a potential enrollee under Healthy Florida when the  
1487 applicant knows or should have known that the potential enrollee  
1488 does not qualify for Healthy Florida.

1489 2. An individual who assists an applicant in obtaining or  
1490 attempting to obtain benefits for a potential enrollee under  
1491 Healthy Florida when the individual knows or should have known  
1492 that the potential enrollee does not qualify for Healthy  
1493 Florida.

1494 (8) APPLICABILITY OF LAWS RELATING TO MEDICAID.—Sections  
1495 409.902, 409.9128, and 409.920 apply to the administration of  
1496 Healthy Florida.

1497 (9) PROGRAM EVALUATION.—The corporation shall collect both  
1498 eligibility and enrollment data from program applicants and  
1499 enrollees as well as encounter and utilization data from all  
1500 contracted entities during the program term. The corporation  
1501 shall submit monthly enrollment reports to the President of the  
1502 Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the  
1503 Minority Leaders of the Senate and the House of Representatives.  
1504 The corporation shall submit an interim independent evaluation  
1505 of Healthy Florida to the presiding officers by July 1, 2016,  
1506 with annual evaluations due July 1 thereafter. The evaluations  
1507 must address, at a minimum, application and enrollment trends  
1508 and issues, utilization and cost data, and customer

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1509 satisfaction.

1510 (10) PROGRAM EXPIRATION.—The Healthy Florida program  
1511 expires at the end of the state fiscal year in which any of  
1512 these conditions occur:

1513 (a) The federal match contribution falls below 90 percent.

1514 (b) The federal match contribution falls below the  
1515 increased federal medical assistance percentages for medical  
1516 assistance for newly eligible mandatory individuals as specified  
1517 in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

1518 (c) The federal match for the Healthy Florida program and  
1519 the Medicaid program are blended under federal law or regulation  
1520 in a way that causes the overall federal contribution to  
1521 diminish when compared to separate, nonblended federal  
1522 contributions.

1523 Section 16. The Florida Healthy Kids Corporation may make  
1524 such changes as are necessary to comply with the objections of  
1525 the federal Department of Health and Human Services in order to  
1526 gain approval of the Healthy Florida program in compliance with  
1527 the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Pub. L.  
1528 No. 111-148, as amended by the federal Health Care and Education  
1529 Reconciliation Act of 2010, Pub. L. No. 111-152, upon giving  
1530 notice to the Senate and the House of Representatives of the  
1531 proposed changes. If there is a conflict between this section  
1532 and the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, the  
1533 provision must be interpreted and applied so as to comply with  
1534 federal law.

1535 Section 17. Paragraph (e) of subsection (2) of section  
1536 154.503, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1537 154.503 Primary Care for Children and Families Challenge

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1538 Grant Program; creation; administration.—

1539 (2) The department shall:

1540 (e) Coordinate with the primary care program developed  
1541 pursuant to s. 154.011, the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation  
1542 program created in s. 409.8125 ~~s. 624.91~~, the school health  
1543 services program created in ss. 381.0056 and 381.0057, and the  
1544 volunteer health care provider program developed pursuant to s.  
1545 766.1115.

1546 Section 18. Paragraph (d) of subsection (14) of section  
1547 408.910, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1548 408.910 Florida Health Choices Program.—

1549 (14) EXEMPTION FROM PUBLIC RECORDS REQUIREMENTS.—

1550 (d) *Authorized release.*—

1551 1. Upon request, information made confidential and exempt  
1552 pursuant to this subsection shall be disclosed to:

1553 a. Another governmental entity in the performance of its  
1554 official duties and responsibilities.

1555 b. Any person who has the written consent of the program  
1556 applicant.

1557 c. The Florida Kidcare program for the purpose of  
1558 administering the program authorized under part II of chapter  
1559 409 ~~in ss. 409.810-409.821~~.

1560 2. Paragraph (b) does not prohibit a participant's legal  
1561 guardian from obtaining confirmation of coverage, dates of  
1562 coverage, the name of the participant's health plan, and the  
1563 amount of premium being paid.

1564 Section 19. Paragraph (c) of subsection (4) of section  
1565 408.915, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1566 408.915 Eligibility pilot project.—The Agency for Health

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1567 Care Administration, in consultation with the steering committee  
1568 established in s. 408.916, shall develop and implement a pilot  
1569 project to integrate the determination of eligibility for health  
1570 care services with information and referral services.

1571 (4) The pilot project shall include eligibility  
1572 determinations for the following programs:

1573 (c) ~~Florida~~ Healthy Kids as described in s. 409.8125 ~~s.~~  
1574 ~~624.91~~ and within eligibility guidelines provided in s. 409.814.

1575 Section 20. Section 624.915, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

1576 Section 21. Section 627.6474, Florida Statutes, is amended  
1577 to read:

1578 627.6474 Provider contracts.—

1579 (1) A health insurer may ~~shall~~ not require a contracted  
1580 health care practitioner as defined in s. 456.001~~(4)~~ to accept  
1581 the terms of other health care practitioner contracts with the  
1582 insurer or any other insurer, or health maintenance  
1583 organization, under common management and control with the  
1584 insurer, including Medicare and Medicaid practitioner contracts  
1585 and those authorized by s. 627.6471, s. 627.6472, s. 636.035, or  
1586 s. 641.315, except for a practitioner in a group practice as  
1587 defined in s. 456.053 who must accept the terms of a contract  
1588 negotiated for the practitioner by the group, as a condition of  
1589 continuation or renewal of the contract. A ~~Any~~ contract  
1590 provision that violates this section is void. A violation of  
1591 this subsection ~~section~~ is not subject to the criminal penalty  
1592 specified in s. 624.15.

1593 (2) A contract between a health insurer and a dentist  
1594 licensed under chapter 466 for the provision of services to an  
1595 insured may not:

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1596 (a) Contain a provision that requires the dentist to  
1597 provide services to the insured under such contract at a fee set  
1598 by the health insurer unless such services are covered services  
1599 under the applicable contract. Covered services are those  
1600 services that are listed as a benefit that the insured is  
1601 entitled to receive under the contract. An insurer may not  
1602 provide merely de minimis reimbursement or coverage in order to  
1603 avoid the requirements of this subsection. Fees for covered  
1604 services shall be set in good faith and may not be nominal.

1605 (b) Require as a condition of the contract that the dentist  
1606 participate in a discount medical plan under part II of chapter  
1607 636.

1608 Section 22. Subsection (13) is added to section 636.035,  
1609 Florida Statutes, to read:

1610 636.035 Provider arrangements.—

1611 (13) A contract between a prepaid limited health service  
1612 organization and a dentist licensed under chapter 466 for the  
1613 provision of services to a subscriber of the prepaid limited  
1614 health service organization may not:

1615 (a) Contain a provision that requires the dentist to  
1616 provide services to the subscriber of the prepaid limited health  
1617 service organization at a fee set by the prepaid limited health  
1618 service organization unless such services are covered services  
1619 under the applicable contract. Covered services are those  
1620 services that are listed as a benefit that the subscriber is  
1621 entitled to receive under the contract. A prepaid limited health  
1622 service organization may not provide merely de minimis  
1623 reimbursement or coverage in order to avoid the requirements of  
1624 this subsection. Fees for covered services shall be set in good



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1625 faith and may not be nominal.

1626 (b) Require as a condition of the contract that the dentist  
1627 participate in a discount medical plan under part II of this  
1628 chapter.

1629 Section 23. Subsection (11) is added to section 641.315,  
1630 Florida Statutes, to read:

1631 641.315 Provider contracts.—

1632 (11) A contract between a health maintenance organization  
1633 and a dentist licensed under chapter 466 for the provision of  
1634 services to a subscriber of the health maintenance organization  
1635 may not:

1636 (a) Contain a provision that requires the dentist to  
1637 provide services to the subscriber of the health maintenance  
1638 organization at a fee set by the health maintenance organization  
1639 unless such services are covered services under the applicable  
1640 contract. Covered services are those services that are listed as  
1641 a benefit that the subscriber is entitled to receive under the  
1642 contract. A health maintenance organization may not provide  
1643 merely de minimis reimbursement or coverage in order to avoid  
1644 the requirements of this subsection. Fees for covered services  
1645 shall be set in good faith and may not be nominal.

1646 (b) Require as a condition of the contract that the dentist  
1647 participate in a discount medical plan under part II of chapter  
1648 636.

1649 Section 24. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section  
1650 766.1115, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraph (h) is  
1651 added to subsection (4) of that section, to read:

1652 766.1115 Health care providers; creation of agency  
1653 relationship with governmental contractors.—

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1654 (3) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:

1655 (a) "Contract" means an agreement executed in compliance  
 1656 with this section between a health care provider and a  
 1657 governmental contractor which allows. ~~This contract shall allow~~  
 1658 the health care provider to deliver health care services to low-  
 1659 income recipients as an agent of the governmental contractor.  
 1660 The contract must be for volunteer, uncompensated services. For  
 1661 services to qualify as volunteer, uncompensated services under  
 1662 this section, the health care provider may not ~~must~~ receive ~~no~~  
 1663 compensation from the governmental contractor for ~~any~~ services  
 1664 provided under the contract and may ~~must~~ not bill or accept  
 1665 compensation from the recipient, or a ~~any~~ public or private  
 1666 third-party payor, for the specific services provided to the  
 1667 low-income recipients covered by the contract.

1668 (4) CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS.—A health care provider that  
 1669 executes a contract with a governmental contractor to deliver  
 1670 health care services on or after April 17, 1992, as an agent of  
 1671 the governmental contractor is an agent for purposes of s.  
 1672 768.28(9), while acting within the scope of duties under the  
 1673 contract, if the contract complies with the requirements of this  
 1674 section and regardless of whether the individual treated is  
 1675 later found to be ineligible. A health care provider under  
 1676 contract with the state may not be named as a defendant in any  
 1677 action arising out of medical care or treatment provided on or  
 1678 after April 17, 1992, under contracts entered into under this  
 1679 section. The contract must provide that:

1680 (h) As an agent of the governmental contractor for purposes  
 1681 of s. 768.28(9), while acting within the scope of duties under  
 1682 the contract, a health care provider licensed under chapter 466

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1683 may allow a patient or a parent or guardian of the patient to  
1684 voluntarily contribute a fee to cover costs of dental laboratory  
1685 work related to the services provided to the patient. This  
1686 contribution may not exceed the actual cost of the dental  
1687 laboratory charges and is deemed in compliance with this  
1688 section.

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1690 A governmental contractor that is also a health care provider is  
1691 not required to enter into a contract under this section with  
1692 respect to the health care services delivered by its employees.

1693 Section 25. The amendments to ss. 627.6474, 636.035, and  
1694 641.315, Florida Statutes, apply to contracts entered into or  
1695 renewed on or after July 1, 2014.

1696 Section 26. (1) The sum of \$1,258,054,808 from the Medical  
1697 Care Trust Fund is appropriated to the Agency for Health Care  
1698 Administration beginning in the 2014-2015 fiscal year to provide  
1699 coverage for individuals who enroll in the Healthy Florida  
1700 program.

1701 (2) The sum of \$254,151 from the General Revenue Fund and  
1702 \$18,235,833 from the Medical Care Trust Fund is appropriated to  
1703 the Agency for Health Care Administration beginning in the 2014-  
1704 2015 fiscal year to comply with federal regulations to  
1705 compensate insurers and managed care organizations that contract  
1706 with the Healthy Florida program for the imposition of the  
1707 annual fee on health insurance providers under s. 9010 of the  
1708 federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Pub. L. No.  
1709 111-148, as amended by the federal Health Care and Education  
1710 Reconciliation Act of 2010, Pub. L. No. 111-152.

1711 (3) The sum of \$10,676,377 from the General Revenue Fund

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1712 and \$10,676,377 from the Medical Care Trust Fund is appropriated  
1713 beginning in the 2014-2015 fiscal year to the Agency for Health  
1714 Care Administration to contract with the Florida Healthy Kids  
1715 Corporation under s. 409.818(2)(f), Florida Statutes, to fund  
1716 the administrative costs of implementing and operating the  
1717 Healthy Florida program.

1718 (4) The Agency for Health Care Administration may submit  
1719 budget amendments to the Legislative Budget Commission pursuant  
1720 to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, during the 2014-2015 fiscal  
1721 year to fund the Healthy Florida program for the coverage of  
1722 children who transfer from the Florida Kidcare program to the  
1723 Healthy Florida program, or to provide additional spending  
1724 authority from the Medical Care Trust Fund under subsection (1)  
1725 for the coverage of individuals who enroll in the Healthy  
1726 Florida program.

1727 Section 27. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.