CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 211 (FINANCE)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered: 5/18/91
Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): SENATOR COLLINS

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act providing for coverage of advanced nurse practitioner services under the Medicaid**
2 **program; and reordering the priorities granted to optional services offered under the**
3 **Medicaid program."**

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

5 *** Section 1.** AS 47.07.030(b) is amended to read:
6 (b) In addition to the mandatory services specified in (a) of this section, the department
7 may offer only the following optional services: case management and nutrition services for
8 pregnant women; personal care services in a recipient's home; emergency hospital services;
9 long-term care noninstitutional services; medical supplies and equipment; **advanced nurse**
10 **practitioner services;** clinic services; inpatient psychiatric facility services for individuals age
11 65 or older and individuals under age 21; prescribed drugs; physical therapy; occupational
12 therapy; chiropractic services; treatment of speech, hearing, and language disorders; adult dental
13 services; prosthetic devices and eyeglasses; optometrists' services; intermediate care facility
14 services, including intermediate care facility services for the mentally retarded; skilled nursing

1 facility services for individuals under age 21; and reasonable transportation to and from the point
2 of medical care.
3 * Sec. 2. AS 47.07.035 is amended to read:
4 Sec. 47.07.035. PRIORITY OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE. If the department finds that
5 the cost of medical assistance for all persons eligible under this chapter will exceed the amount
6 allocated in the state budget for that assistance for the fiscal year, the department shall eliminate
7 coverage for optional medical services and optionally eligible groups of individuals in the
8 following order:
9 (1) **advanced nurse practitioner services;**
10 (2) chiropractic services;
11 (3) [(2)] adult dental services;
12 (4) [(3)] emergency hospital services;
13 (5) [(4)] treatment of speech, hearing, and language disorders;
14 (6) [(5)] optometrists' services and eyeglasses;
15 (7) [(6)] occupational therapy;
16 (8) [(7)] prosthetic devices;
17 (9) [(8)] medical supplies and equipment;
18 (10) [(9)] clinic services;
19 (11) [(10)] physical therapy;
20 (12) [(11)] personal care services in a recipient's home;
21 (13) [(12)] prescribed drugs;
22 (14) [(13)] long-term care noninstitutional services;
23 (15) [(14)] inpatient psychiatric facility services;
24 (16) [(15)] intermediate care facility services for the mentally retarded;
25 (17) [(16)] intermediate care facility services;
26 [(17) REPEALED]
27 (18) individuals under age 21 who are not eligible for benefits under the federal
28 aid to families with dependent children program because they are not deprived of one or more
29 of their natural or adoptive parents;
30 (19) skilled nursing facility services for persons under age 21;
31 (20) aged, blind, and disabled individuals who, because they do not meet the

1 income requirements, do not receive supplemental security income under Title XVI of the Social
2 Security Act, but who are eligible, or would be eligible if they were not in a skilled nursing
3 facility or intermediate care facility, to receive an optional state supplementary payment;
4 (21) individuals in a hospital, skilled nursing facility, or intermediate care facility
5 whose income while in the facility does not exceed 300 percent of the supplemental security
6 income benefit rate under Title XVI of the Social Security Act, but who, because of income, are
7 not eligible for the optional state supplementary payment;
8 (22) individuals under age 21 under supervision of the department, for whom
9 maintenance is being paid in whole or in part from public money and who are in foster homes
10 or private child-care institutions.
11 * **Sec. 3.** AS 47.07.900 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:
12 (11) "advanced nurse practitioner services" means services furnished by a person
13 who is certified as an advanced nurse practitioner under AS 08.68.410 that are within the scope
14 of the person's certified authority, whether or not the person is under the supervision of, or
15 associated with, a physician or other health care provider.