

FISCAL NOTE

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HEALTH CARE PROVIDER UNIQUE ID PER SITE OR SERVICE Bill Topic:

Summary of □ State Revenue □ TABOR Refund

 State Expenditure (minimal) □ Local Government (minimal) **Fiscal Impact:**

□ State Transfer □ Statutory Public Entity

This bill requires off-campus locations of a hospital to use a different billing code than the main campus of the hospital. This will minimally increase workload for state

agencies starting in FY 2018-19.

Appropriation Summary:

No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status:

The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary of Legislation

This bill requires off-campus locations of a hospital to obtain and use a unique National Provider Identifier (NPI) code apart from the NPI code used by the main campus of the hospital starting January 1, 2019. Similarly, it requires each organizational health care provider that participates in the Medicaid program to obtain a unique NPI code for each subpart and location at which it provides services. For Medicaid providers, the requirements of the bill apply to newly enrolling provider organizations starting January 1, 2019, and to re-enrolling provider organizations starting in January 1, 2021.

Background

NPI codes are issued to health care providers by the federal Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services. They are issued by the federal government at no cost to registering entities.

State Expenditures

The bill increases workload for state agencies by a minimal amount starting in FY 2018-19. First, the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing will be required to process additional provider enrollments as off-campus locations and other subparts register their unique NPI codes. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment may also have an increase in

workload to the extent that reviewing compliance with the new requirement is added as part of the licensing and inspection process for hospitals. Lastly, any hospitals or health facilities operated by state agencies, institutions of higher education, and other state entities will be required to obtain and use NPI codes. It is assumed that this work for all affected agencies can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Local Government

To the extent local governments operate hospitals or health facilities that are required to obtain additional NPI codes, workload will increase by a minimal amount starting in FY 2018-19.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 8, 2018, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 9, 2018, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

Health Care Policy and Financing Information Technology Public Health and Environment