CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT
DIGEST FOR EHB 1315

Citations Affected: IC 12-15-5-1; IC 25-23.5-3-1.5.

Synopsis: Professional health services. Conference committee report for EHB 1315. Specifies that Medicaid services include pharmacist services. Specifies osteopathic physicians and adds physician assistants on the list of practitioners who may provide a referral or order to an occupational therapist. Provides that an occupational therapist must report to the practitioner as specified by the practitioner who provided the referral or order. However, if the practitioner does not specify a reporting requirement, the occupational therapist shall report to the practitioner upon completion or termination of occupational therapy services. **(This conference committee report: (1) adds a provision concerning pharmacist services; (2) specifies osteopathic physicians and adds physician assistants on the list of practitioners who may provide a referral or order to an occupational therapist; and (3) removes the requirement that the health finance commission study biosimilar biological products.)**

Effective: July 1, 2013.

Adopted	Rejected

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MR. SPEAKER:

Your Conference Committee appointed to confer with a like committee from the Senate upon Engrossed Senate Amendments to Engrossed House Bill No. 1315 respectfully reports that said two committees have conferred and agreed as follows to wit:

that the House recede from its dissent from all Senate amendments and that the House now concur in all Senate amendments to the bill and that the bill be further amended as follows:

Delete the title and insert the following:

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. IC 12-15-5-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 1. Except as provided in IC 12-15-2-12, IC 12-15-6, and IC 12-15-21, the following services and supplies are provided under Medicaid:

(1) Inpatient hospital services.
(2) Nursing facility services.
(3) Physician's services, including services provided under IC 25-10-1 and IC 25-22.5-1.
(4) Outpatient hospital or clinic services.
(5) Home health care services.
(6) Private duty nursing services.
(7) Physical therapy and related services.
(8) Dental services.
(9) Prescribed laboratory and x-ray services.
(10) Prescribed drugs and **pharmacist** services.
(11) Eyeglasses and prosthetic devices.
(12) Optometric services.

(13) Diagnostic, screening, preventive, and rehabilitative services.
(14) Podiatric medicine services.
(15) Hospice services.
(16) Services or supplies recognized under Indiana law and specified under rules adopted by the office.
(17) Family planning services except the performance of abortions.
(18) Nonmedical nursing care given in accordance with the tenets and practices of a recognized church or religious denomination to an individual qualified for Medicaid who depends upon healing by prayer and spiritual means alone in accordance with the tenets and practices of the individual's church or religious denomination.
(19) Services provided to individuals described in IC 12-15-2-8 and IC 12-15-2-9.
(20) Services provided under IC 12-15-34 and IC 12-15-32.
(21) Case management services provided to individuals described in IC 12-15-2-11 and IC 12-15-2-13.
(22) Any other type of remedial care recognized under Indiana law and specified by the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services.
(23) Examinations required under IC 16-41-17-2(a)(10).

SECTION 2. IC 25-23.5-3-1.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.134-2008, SECTION 35, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 1.5. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), an occupational therapist may not provide occupational therapy services to a person until the person has been referred to the occupational therapist by, **or the occupational therapist is acting on the order of,** one (1) of the following:

(1) A physician **or osteopathic physician** licensed under IC 25-22.5.
(2) A podiatrist licensed under IC 25-29.
(3) An advanced practice nurse licensed under IC 25-23.
(4) A psychologist licensed under IC 25-33.
(5) A chiropractor licensed under IC 25-10.
(6) An optometrist licensed under IC 25-24.
(7) A physician assistant licensed under IC 25-27.5.

The occupational therapist shall report to the practitioner as specified by the practitioner who provided the referral or order. However, if the practitioner does not specify a reporting requirement, the occupational therapist shall report to the practitioner upon completion or termination of occupational therapy services.

(b) An occupational therapist may provide the following services without a referral from a ~~physician licensed under IC 25-22.5, a podiatrist licensed under IC 25-29, an advanced practice nurse licensed under IC 25-23, a psychologist licensed under IC 25-33, a chiropractor licensed under IC 25-10, or an optometrist licensed under IC 25-24:~~ **person listed in subsection (a):**

(1) Ergonomic or home assessment.
(2) Injury or illness prevention education and wellness services.
(3) Occupational therapy activities provided in an educational

setting.

(4) Occupational therapy activities that the board determines, after reviewing the recommendations of the committee, are appropriate to be conducted in a community based environment.

(Reference is to EHB 1315 as reprinted March 19, 2013.)

Conference Committee Report
on
Engrossed House Bill 1315

Signed by:

Representative Clere Chairperson	Senator Miller Patricia
Representative Shackleford	Senator Breaux
House Conferees	**Senate Conferees**