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Resolve, To Improve Behavioral Health Care for Children

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Presented by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville.

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Sec. 1. Department of Health and Human Services to reimburse for additional collateral services. Resolved: That, no later than January 1, 2022, the Department of Health and Human Services shall amend rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II, Section 65 to reimburse for additional collateral contacts for children's home and community-based treatment. The rule must be amended to reimburse for additional collateral contacts provided by a mental health professional to parents, medical providers, psychiatric providers, residential providers, case managers and school personnel as long as the goal of the collateral contact is included in the individual treatment plan. This resolve does not affect the maximum number of hours of collateral contacts that may be reimbursed under the rule. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, Chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

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SUMMARY

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This resolve requires the Department of Health and Human Services to amend rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II, Section 65 to reimburse for additional collateral contacts for children's home and community-based treatment. Those additional collateral contacts are between the child's mental health professional and parents, medical providers, psychiatric providers, residential providers, case managers and school personnel as long as the goal of the collateral contact is included in the goals of the individual treatment plan.