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**HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 19**  
**42ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION,**  
**1996**

**INTRODUCED BY**  
**JOSE R. ABEYTA**

**FOR THE HEALTH CARE TASK FORCE**

**A JOINT MEMORIAL**  
**REQUESTING THAT THE HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, IN CONJUNCTION**  
**WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE CHILDREN, YOUTH AND**  
**FAMILIES DEPARTMENT, REPORT ON ISSUES CONCERNING THE MEDICAID**  
**MANAGED CARE PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS, the human services department implemented the**  
**primary care network in 1991 as an initial managed care delivery**  
**system to control, in part, the cost of health services for**  
**Medicaid recipients; and**

**WHEREAS, under the primary care network program, medicaid**  
**recipients receive routine health care services from a selected**  
**primary care provider who manages the provision of specialist**  
**services, inpatient and outpatient hospital services and most**  
**ambulatory services for medicaid recipients; and**

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1           WHEREAS, in 1994, the state legislature mandated the use of  
2 a managed care system for delivery of services to Medicaid  
3 recipients by 1995 to help improve program efficiency and access  
4 to care for low-income populations by managing the  
5 beneficiaries' care and ensuring that services are integrated  
6 and coordinated to promote early intervention and preventive  
7 care; and

8           WHEREAS, while statewide implementation of the primary care  
9 network may meet the legislative mandate for the use of a  
10 managed care system for medicaid recipients, the human services  
11 department determined that additional managed care delivery  
12 services should be developed and implemented for the medicaid  
13 population; and

14           WHEREAS, the human services department hired the health  
15 care consulting firm of Lewin-VFI, Inc. to serve as the managed  
16 care consultant to assist the department in the development of a  
17 managed care delivery system for the medicaid population; and

18           WHEREAS, recommendations outlined by the human services  
19 department state that the majority of services furnished to  
20 medicaid recipients will be provided in a managed care  
21 environment, the majority of medicaid eligible recipients will  
22 be required to enroll in a health maintenance organization or  
23 managed care system and the development of managed care models  
24 for additional services will be determined by a collaborative  
25 effort between the appropriate state executive agency

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1 departments, provider groups, advocacy groups and medicaid  
2 recipients;

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
4 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the human services department, in  
5 conjunction with the department of health and the children,  
6 youth and families department report to the appropriate interim  
7 legislative health care committee by September 1, 1996 on the  
8 status of the medicaid managed care planning process to include  
9 the following issues concerning the implementation of that  
10 planning process:

11 A. the extent to which integrated networks of  
12 appropriately trained, high quality direct service providers are  
13 available throughout the state, including whether the managed  
14 care program demonstrates a decline in the use of specialist  
15 services and emergency rooms as service sites and whether  
16 managed care increases or decreases the number of physician  
17 visits or the use of inpatient hospital care;

18 B. the extent to which an information system has  
19 been established to track all health system encounters that will  
20 enhance integration and coordination of services while  
21 protecting individual patient confidentiality;

22 C. the ability of the human services department to  
23 track and adjust the performance of provider networks within the  
24 managed care system to assure comprehensive, continuous health  
25 care services, appropriate access to needed levels of care,

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1 protection of programs for vulnerable populations and prompt  
2 medical decisions within a utilization review framework;

3 D. the scope and effectiveness of a quality  
4 assurance program that promotes public accountability and  
5 assesses the impact of the medicaid managed care program on the  
6 quality of health care delivered;

7 E. the financial stability of the medicaid managed  
8 care program, including the impact of the program on health care  
9 costs relative to traditional fee-for-service programs;

10 F. the extent to which consumers are fully informed  
11 concerning their ability to utilize and access services under a  
12 managed care program as well as the ability of consumers to  
13 pursue grievances;

14 G. the extent to which communities participate in  
15 the design and implementation of local integrated networks  
16 within the managed care program regarding local health care  
17 needs;

18 H. the extent to which health promotion and disease  
19 prevention strategies have been developed and implemented;

20 I. the extent to which performance standards that  
21 emphasize recognized health outcomes, service delivery and  
22 consumer satisfaction regarding overall care provided through a  
23 managed care program, such as the extent to which choice in  
24 physician and potential lack of use of health care services have  
25 been developed and utilized in contracts entered into with a

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1 managed care organization; and

2 J. mechanisms for oversight, protections and  
3 adequate enforcement to assure managed care contractors are  
4 fulfilling their obligations to provide quality health services  
5 within the defined parameters of the medicaid managed care  
6 program; and

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be sent  
8 to the secretary of human services, the secretary of health and  
9 the secretary of children, youth and families.

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**FORTY- SECOND LEGISLATURE**  
**SECOND SESSION, 1996**

January 25, 1996

Mr. Speaker:

Your RULES AND ORDER OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE, to  
whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and finds same to be  
GERMANE in accordance with constitutional provisions.

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Barbara A. Perea Casey,

Chairperson

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Not Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

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The roll call vote was 9 For 1 Against

Yes: 9

No: Nicely

Excused: Luna, Pederson, Rodella, R. G. Sanchez, J. G. Taylor

Absent: None

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11 **Mr. Speaker:**  
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13 **Your GOVERNMENT AND URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, to**  
14 **whom has been referred**  
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18 **has had it under consideration and reports same with**  
19 **recommendation that it DO PASS, amended as follows:**

- 20 **1. On page 3, line 1, after "recipients;" insert "and".**  
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22 **2. On page 3, between lines 1 and 2, insert the following:**  
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24 **"WHEREAS, the state legislature needs to give prior approval**  
25 **to medicaid managed care plans before the implementation of such**  
**plans by the human services department;".**

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3. On page 3, line 13, after "program" strike "demonstrates" and insert in lieu thereof "will demonstrate".
4. On page 4, line 7, strike "including" and insert in lieu thereof "and" and after the first occurrence of "the" insert "economic".
5. On page 4, line 8, strike "relative" and insert in lieu thereof "including comparisons".
6. On page 4, line 8, after "programs" insert "and universal health care plans".
7. On page 4, line 9, strike "are" and insert in lieu thereof "will be".
8. On page 4, line 13, after "communities" insert "will".
9. On page 4, line 18, strike "and implemented".
10. On page 4, line 24, strike "and utilized" and insert in lieu thereof "for utilization".
11. On page 5, between lines 5 and 6, insert:

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“BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any proposed medicaid managed care plans developed by the human services department, in conjunction with the department of health and the children, youth and families department, be reported to the appropriate interim legislative health care committee and given legislative approval before the department of human services implements any medicaid managed care plans;”.

and thence referred to the APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lynda M. Lovejoy, Chairwoman

Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

Not Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

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The roll call vote was 5 For 2 Against  
Yes: 5  
No: Hobbs, Macko  
Excused: Gentry, Perls, Roberts, Sanchez, R. R.  
Absent: None

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**FORTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE  
SECOND SESSION, 1996**

**February 8, 1996**

**Mr. Speaker:**

**Your APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE, to  
whom has been referred**

**HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 19, as amended**

**has had it under consideration and reports same with  
recommendation that it DO PASS.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

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**Max Coll, Chairman**

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Yes: 10

No: Bird, Buffett

Excused: Gentry, Martinez, Reyes, Saavedra, Varela, Watchman

Absent: none

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FORTY- SECOND LEGISLATURE  
SECOND SESSION, 1996

February 13, 1996

Mr. President:

Your RULES COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 19, as amended

has had it under consideration and reports same with  
recommendation that it DO PASS.

Respectfully submitted,

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Gloria Howes, Chairman

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Excused: EJennings, Doni sthorpe, Aragon

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Absent: 0

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