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2 Introduced by Representatives Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Koch of Barre

3 Town, and Moran of Wardsboro

4 Referred to Committee on

5 Date:

6 Subject: Health; professions and occupations; Medicaid; licensed alcohol and

7 drug abuse counselors

8 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to enable certain  
9 licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselors without a postgraduate degree to be  
10 participating providers in the State's Medicaid program.

11 An act relating to licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselors as  
12 participating providers in Medicaid

13 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

14 Sec. 1. 33 V.S.A. § 813 is added to read:

15 § 813. MEDICAID PARTICIPATING PROVIDERS

16 The Department of Vermont Health Access may grant authorization to a  
17 licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselor with a bachelor's degree who was  
18 licensed prior to implementation of the master's degree or higher education  
19 requirement in subdivision 807(1) of this title to participate as a Medicaid  
20 provider to deliver clinical and case coordination services to Medicaid

1 beneficiaries, regardless of whether the counselor is affiliated with a  
2 designated agency.

3 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

4 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.