

1 Introduced by Committee on Health Care
2 Referred to Committee on
3 Date:
4 Subject: Health; Medicaid; accountable care organizations; reports
5 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require the
6 Department of Vermont Health Access to provide periodic reports to the
7 Health Reform Oversight Committee and the legislative committees of
8 jurisdiction regarding implementation of a one-year pilot project agreement
9 between the Department and an accountable care organization.

10 An act relating to Next Generation Medicaid ACO pilot project reporting
11 requirements

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

13 Sec. 1. NEXT GENERATION MEDICAID ACO PILOT PROJECT

14 REPORTS

15 (a) On or before June 15, September 15, and December 15, 2017, the
16 Department of Vermont Health Access shall provide to the House Committees
17 on Appropriations and on Health Care and the Senate Committees on
18 Appropriations and on Health and Welfare written updates on the
19 implementation of the Next Generation Medicaid ACO pilot using a reporting
20 template developed by the Department in consultation with the Office of

1 Legislative Council and the Joint Fiscal Office. The updates shall include the
2 following information:

3 (1) the amount of Medicaid funds provided by the Department to the
4 accountable care organization in each of the three months preceding the month
5 of the report, except that for the June report, the Department shall report the
6 amount of Medicaid funds provided in each month since the beginning of the
7 pilot;

8 (2) the amount of funds expended by the accountable care organization
9 on behalf of attributed Medicaid beneficiaries in each of the three months
10 preceding the month of the report, except that for the June report, the
11 Department shall report the amount of funds expended on behalf of attributed
12 Medicaid beneficiaries in each month since the beginning of the pilot;

13 (3) the extent to which the accountable care organization has met the
14 quality indicators specified in the Next Generation Medicaid ACO pilot project
15 agreement signed on February 1, 2017;

16 (4) to the extent data is available, a comparison of:

17 (A) utilization of health care services by service category for the
18 Medicaid population attributed to the ACO during the pilot year with the
19 utilization of services for the same population in prior years; and

1 (B) utilization of health care services by service category for the
2 Medicaid population attributed to the ACO during the pilot year with the
3 utilization of services for Medicaid beneficiaries not attributed to the ACO;

4 (5) statistical information regarding the number of patient and provider
5 complaints, grievances, and appeals for attributed Medicaid beneficiaries and
6 participating providers, as well as any available information regarding patient
7 and provider satisfaction with the pilot;

8 (6) current information on the size of the participating provider network
9 since the beginning of the pilot and since the previous report, if applicable; and

10 (7) any change in the size of the Medicaid population attributed to the
11 ACO since the beginning of the pilot and since the previous report, if
12 applicable.

13 (b) In addition to the written updates required by subsection (a) of this
14 section, the Department of Vermont Health Access shall provide testimony on
15 implementation of the Next Generation Medicaid ACO pilot project at a
16 meeting of the Health Reform Oversight Committee at least once every two
17 months or more frequently if so requested by the Committee. The testimony
18 shall include the information specified in subsection (a) of this section, as well
19 as any other information the Department deems relevant to the Committee's
20 oversight of the pilot project during the 2017 legislative interim. The
21 Committee shall also provide an opportunity for the Office of the Health Care

1 Advocate to testify at the same meetings as the Department regarding issues
2 related to the pilot project, including information on complaints, grievances,
3 and appeals reported to or requiring investigation or other action by the Office.

4 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

5 This act shall take effect on passage.