

116TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 6926

To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide coverage and payment under title XIX of the Social Security Act for services furnished to individuals who are patients in institutions for mental diseases during the COVID–19 emergency period and 180-days thereafter, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 19, 2020

Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania (for himself and Mr. FITZPATRICK) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Meeting IMD Needs
5 with Direction Act” or “MIND Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. COVERAGE AND PAYMENT UNDER MEDICAID FOR**
2 **SERVICES FURNISHED TO CERTAIN INDIVID-**
3 **UALS WHO ARE PATIENTS IN INSTITUTIONS**
4 **FOR MENTAL DISEASES DURING THE COVID-**
5 **19 EMERGENCY PERIOD AND 180-DAYS**
6 **THEREAFTER.**

7 Section 1905(a) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
8 1396d(a)) is amended—

9 (1) in paragraph (1), by inserting “, provided,
10 however, that this exclusion for services in an insti-
11 tution for mental diseases does not apply to services
12 furnished to any individual during the period begin-
13 ning on the first day of the emergency period de-
14 scribed in section 1135(g)(1)(B) and ending on the
15 last day of the 180-day period succeeding such
16 emergency)” after “diseases”;

17 (2) in paragraph (30)(B), by inserting “pro-
18 vided, however, that this subparagraph (B) does not
19 apply to services furnished to any such individual
20 during the period beginning on the first day of the
21 emergency period described in section 1135(g)(1)(B)
22 and ending on the last day of the 180-day period
23 succeeding such emergency” after “section
24 1915(l)”;

25 (3) by adding at the end of the flush left matter
26 succeeding paragraph (30) the following new sen-

1 tence: “All other laws in this title are hereby re-
2 pealed, to the extent that they exclude services (or
3 payment for services) in an institution for mental
4 diseases furnished to any individual during the pe-
5 riod beginning on the first day of the emergency pe-
6 riod described in section 1135(g)(1)(B) and ending
7 on the last day of the 180-day period succeeding
8 such emergency.”.

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