

Amendment to SB 491-FN

1 Amend RSA 161-N:1 as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 161-N:1 Purpose. Older adults and people with disabilities, including children with special
4 health care needs, require the support of home health care services. The purpose of this chapter is
5 to ensure medically-necessary home health care services are available to Medicaid recipients at
6 their residences and in non-institutional locations outside of the residence in which normal life
7 activities take place.

8 Amend RSA 161-N:2, II as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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10 II. "Home health care services" means care provided by a medical provider licensed under
11 RSA 326-B and employed by a home health care agency licensed under RSA 151, when that care is
12 provided at the residence of the recipient or in a non-institutional setting where normal life
13 activities take place. The residence of the recipient shall not include a hospital, a nursing facility,
14 or an intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities, except for home health
15 care services in an intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities that are
16 not required to be provided by the facility.

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18 Amend RSA 161-N:3, I as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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20 I. Medicaid coverage of medically-necessary home health care services shall be available to
21 Medicaid recipients at their residences and in any non-institutional setting in which normal life
22 activities take place.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires Medicaid coverage of medically-necessary home health care services to be provided to older adults and persons with disabilities at their residences and in the community.