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Overview

Requires MA to pay certain hospitals for outpatient pediatric services at a rate equal to the fee-for-service rate, plus 93 percent.

Section

- 1** **Hospital outpatient reimbursement.** Amends § 256B.75. Requires all hospital outpatient services provided by any hospital exclusively devoted to the care of pediatric patients that is located in a Minnesota metropolitan statistical area, and all pediatric outpatient services provided by a hospital that includes the operations of the hospital formerly owned by the University of Minnesota, to be paid using the methodology for critical access hospitals, at a rate equal to the regular fee-for-service rate plus 93 percent, as limited by allowable costs. States that this section is effective July 1, 2007, and applies to services provided on or after that date.
- 2** **Appropriation.** Appropriates money from the general fund to the commissioner of human services for the biennium beginning July 1, 2007, for section 1.