

**Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 9, 2001**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1117  
(Human Services Committee)  
(At the request of the Department of Human Services)

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections 50-24.3-01 and 50-24.3-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the provision of targeted case management by the department of human services; to provide an expiration date; and to declare an emergency.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 50-24.3-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**50-24.3-01. ~~Assessment mechanism—Establishment~~ Targeted case management.** The department of human services shall establish a mechanism to assess, prior to admission to a skilled nursing facility, intermediate care facility, or a hospital swing bed facility approved to furnish skilled or intermediate care services, the health and social needs of each person making application for admission to the facility targeted case management service for disabled and elderly individuals eligible for benefits under chapter 50-24.1 who are at risk of requiring long-term care services to ensure that an individual is informed of alternatives available to address the individual's long-term care needs.

**SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 50-24.3-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**50-24.3-03. Department of human services - Powers and duties.** The department of human services has the following powers and duties which it may delegate to any entity which provides ~~assessment services~~ targeted case management services approved by the department:

1. To seek cooperation from other public and private ~~agencies~~ entities in the community which offer services to ~~disabled and elderly persons~~ individuals with disabilities or the elderly.
2. To provide information and education to the general public regarding availability of ~~the assessment program~~ targeted case management.
3. To accept referrals from an interested party including individuals, families, human services program professionals, and nursing home facility personnel, and acute care facility personnel.
4. To assess the health and social needs of, and provide targeted case management to, referred individuals who wish to receive this service.
5. To identify available noninstitutional services to meet the needs of referred individuals.
6. To prepare ~~recommendations for individuals receiving assessment program services as to the need for skilled nursing care, or intermediate care as provided in a facility, or other care which is available in the community~~ an individual care plan for each individual receiving targeted case management services.
7. To inform referred individuals of the extent to which ~~home~~ long-term care services are available, including institutional and community-based services are available, and of ~~their~~ the individual's opportunity to choose, in consultation with an attending physician ~~and, family member members, and other interested parties,~~ among the appropriate alternatives that may be available.

8. To monitor the results of targeted case management and report to each legislative assembly on these results and the cost-effectiveness of these services.

**SECTION 3. EXPIRATION DATE.** This Act is effective through June 30, 2003, and after that date is ineffective.

**SECTION 4. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1117 and that two-thirds of the members-elect of the House of Representatives voted in favor of said law.

Vote:      Yeas          95              Nays          0              Absent        3

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This certifies that two-thirds of the members-elect of the Senate voted in favor of said law.

Vote:      Yeas          44              Nays          0              Absent        5

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Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2001.

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Secretary of State