
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 346, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to part II to be appropriately
3 designated and to read as follows:

4 "§346- Home and community-based services waiver program
5 for children with autism spectrum disorder. (a) The med-QUEST
6 division of the department shall seek a state plan waiver from
7 the Secretary of Health and Human Services pursuant to 42 U.S.C.
8 section 1396n to establish a home and community-based services
9 waiver program for children diagnosed with an autism spectrum
10 disorder.

11 (b) Eligibility for participation in the program shall be
12 limited to an individual who:

- 13 (1) Is from two through twenty-one years old;
14 (2) Has been diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder;
15 (3) Requires services from an intermediate care facility
16 for the intellectually disabled;



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- 1 (4) Has an individual family service plan or
- 2 individualized education program with fifteen hours of
- 3 special education and related issues;
- 4 (5) Is able to be served in the home and community with
- 5 services provided through this program;
- 6 (6) Has a monthly income that does not exceed three
- 7 hundred per cent of benefits under the Supplemental
- 8 Security Income program, and whose countable assets do
- 9 not exceed the applicable limits under the
- 10 Supplemental Security Income program; and
- 11 (7) Meets any additional medical or financial criteria
- 12 established by the department by rule pursuant to
- 13 chapter 91."

14 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

15 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

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Description:

Requires Med-QUEST to seek a state plan waiver to establish a home and community-based services program for individuals with an autism spectrum disorder.

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