

1 State of Arkansas  
2 91st General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2017  
4

*As Engrossed: H2/2/17*  
**A Bill**

HOUSE BILL 1264

5 By: Representative Pilkington  
6

7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE ARKANSAS  
9 *MEDICAID PROGRAM FOR HEALTHCARE SERVICES PERFORMED BY*  
10 A WALK-IN CLINIC OR EMERGENT CARE CLINIC WHEN THE  
11 PATIENT DOES NOT HAVE A PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER  
12 ASSIGNED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
13  
14

15 **Subtitle**

16 TO PROVIDE FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR  
17 HEALTHCARE SERVICES PERFORMED BY A WALK-  
18 IN CLINIC OR EMERGENT CARE CLINIC WHEN  
19 THE PATIENT DOES NOT HAVE A PRIMARY CARE  
20 PROVIDER ASSIGNED.  
21  
22

23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
24

25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 77, Subchapter 1, is  
26 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

27 20-77-132. Walk-in clinic and emergent care clinic – Medicaid  
28 reimbursement.

29 (a) As used in this section:

30 (1) "Emergent care clinic" means a walk-in clinic focused on the  
31 delivery of ambulatory care in a facility outside of traditional emergency  
32 care; and

33 (2) "Walk-in clinic" means a medical clinic that accepts  
34 patients on a walk-in basis and without an appointment.

35 (b) When a Medicaid beneficiary who does not have an assigned primary  
36 care provider utilizes or attempts to utilize a walk-in clinic or emergent



1 care clinic, the walk-in clinic or emergency care clinic shall not decline to  
2 treat the patient due to his or her lack of a primary care provider.

3 (c) The Arkansas Medicaid Program shall reimburse for any healthcare  
4 services performed by a walk-in clinic or emergent care clinic when the  
5 Medicaid beneficiary does not have a primary care provider assigned.

6  
7  
8 */s/Pilkington*  
9  
10  
11  
12  
13  
14  
15  
16  
17  
18  
19  
20  
21  
22  
23  
24  
25  
26  
27  
28  
29  
30  
31  
32  
33  
34  
35  
36