

ARKANSAS SENATE
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Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 839

TO PROTECT PATIENTS BY ENSURING THAT PRIOR AUTHORIZATION PROCEDURES
DO NOT INTRUDE ON THE PHYSICIAN-PATIENT RELATIONSHIP OR PUT COST
SAVINGS AHEAD OF OPTIMAL PATIENT CARE.

Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill No. 839

Amend Senate Bill No. 839 as engrossed, S3/15/11 (version: 3/15/2011 09:50:39 AM)

Amend SB839 as engrossed S3/15/11 (version: 03-03-2011 14:36:02):

Page 1, line 36 delete "Medicaid,"

AND

Page 2, delete line 5 and substitute the following:
"compensation plans or Medicaid;"

AND

Page 2, line 8 delete "in Arkansas"

AND

Page 3, line 20 delete "licensed in Arkansas"

AND

Page 3, delete line 30 and substitute the following:
"requesting the prior authorization by fax or hard copy letter sent by
regular mail, as requested by the patient's healthcare provider."

AND

Page 4, line 4 delete "criteria, and" and substitute "criteria, if any, and"

AND

Page 4, delete line 19 and substitute the following:
"process."



(C) The information required under subdivision (f)(4)(A) of this section shall include addresses and telephone numbers to be used by health care providers and patients to make complaints to the Arkansas Medical Board, the State Board of Health, and the State Insurance Department."

AND

Page 4, delete lines 26 through 36 and substitute the following:

"(2) Upon request, the patient's health care provider shall be provided contact information, including a phone number, for the person or persons who should be contacted to initiate the request for an expeditious override of the restriction or denial."

AND

Page 5, delete lines 1 through 13.

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

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