

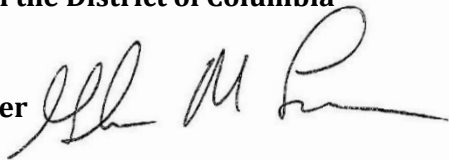
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Office of the Chief Financial Officer



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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Glen Lee
Chief Financial Officer 

DATE: December 11, 2023

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement – Minor Access to Medical Records and
Appointments Regulations Amendment Act of 2023

REFERENCE: Bill 25-463, draft Bill as provided to the Office of Revenue Analysis on
November 27, 2023

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2024 through fiscal year 2027 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

Background

The bill establishes¹ regulations that allow minors who are sixteen years old and older and enrolled in Medicaid or the DC Health Care Alliance to make appointments for primary care, dental, and vision health services and request medical records from their health care provider without parental consent. Healthcare providers who administer health services to these minors must seek reimbursement directly from the insurer without informing the minor's parent unless the minor gives express written consent or verbal authorization to do so. Health insurers cannot provide an Explanation of Benefits notice to the parent of a minor who received a health service.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2024 through the fiscal year 2027 budget and financial plan to implement the bill. There is no cost to allowing minors who are sixteen years old and older and enrolled in Medicaid or the DC Health Care Alliance to make appointments and request medical records. No resources are required to implement the bill.

¹ By amending Chapter 6 of Title 22-B of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (22-B DCMR § 600).