

## CHAPTER 34-A

## STATE-FEDERAL HEALTH COVERAGE PARTNERSHIPS

**§2781. State-federal health coverage partnerships**

**1. Partnerships authorized.** The State may enter into state-federal health coverage partnerships that support the availability of affordable health coverage in the State in accordance with this section. As used in this chapter, "state-federal health coverage partnership" means a program established or authorized under federal law that provides or reallocates federal funding or that provides for the waiver or modification of otherwise applicable provisions of federal laws governing health insurance. "State-federal health coverage partnership" includes, but is not limited to, innovation waivers under Section 1332 of the federal Affordable Care Act.

[PL 2019, c. 653, Pt. B, §1 (NEW).]

**2. Application.** Unless the applicable federal laws, regulations or administrative guidelines require a different state official to be the applicant, the superintendent may apply to the appropriate federal agency or agencies to establish or participate in a state-federal health coverage partnership or to modify the terms and conditions of an existing partnership if the superintendent determines that the application, if approved, is likely to improve the affordability, availability or quality of health coverage in this State and the Governor approves the submission of the application.

[PL 2019, c. 653, Pt. B, §1 (NEW).]

**3. Notice and consultation.** The superintendent shall ensure that all federally required notices and opportunities for consultation with respect to a state-federal health coverage partnership or proposed partnership are provided. The superintendent shall take any additional measures that may be necessary to identify persons and constituencies likely to be materially affected by a state-federal health coverage partnership or proposed partnership and to provide such persons and constituencies with reasonable notice and opportunity for input.

[PL 2019, c. 653, Pt. B, §1 (NEW).]

**4. MaineCare program and Maine Health Insurance Marketplace.** A state-federal health coverage partnership may coordinate with the MaineCare program or the Maine Health Insurance Marketplace established in Title 22, chapter 1479 and incorporate provisions affecting these programs, including but not limited to a joint Medicaid Section 1115 demonstration waiver and state innovation waiver, with the approval or joint application of the Commissioner of Health and Human Services.

[PL 2019, c. 653, Pt. B, §1 (NEW).]

## SECTION HISTORY

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