

**Testimony**  
**Senate Bill 2320**  
**Senate Human Services Committee**  
**Senator Judy Lee, Chairman**  
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Chairman Lee, and members of the Senate Human Services Committee, I am Brendan Joyce, PharmD, Administrator of Pharmacy Services, Medical Services Division of the Department of Human Services (Department). I am here today to provide information regarding Senate Bill 2320.

This bill will require the Department to establish a Medication Therapy Management (MTM) program for Medicaid eligible individuals (traditional Medicaid, not expansion). The Department would likely model the Medicaid MTM program after a number of similar MTM programs such as Medicare Part D, North Dakota Public Employees Retirement System, as well as the upcoming Sanford Health Plan's Patient Engagement Program for the Medicaid Expansion population.

Implementing an MTM program and paying for the services would require the Department to secure Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services approval with a Medicaid State Plan Amendment. Therefore, the Department will be responsible for determining the requirements for patient inclusion, the requirements for provider inclusion, and payment for the MTM services. The Department would work with interested parties to ensure appropriate requirements and payment structure are reached.

To prepare the fiscal note, the Department reviewed the MTM programs mentioned above to estimate anticipated utilization and expenditures in this program as it launches and grows over time. Specific disease states or potential inclusion criteria (e.g. number of patients using 11 or more

medications) were not part of the fiscal note preparation since we would want more time and input from interested parties in developing the inclusion criteria.

This concludes my testimony. I would be happy to answer any questions the committee may have. Thank you.