

Statute (PA number)	Bill Number	Summary	Effective/Required Implementation Date	Status
Public Act 24-39	House Bill 5001	Require DSS, starting January 1, 2025, to develop and maintain a home care provider registry and data processing system for people receiving Medicaid home- and community-based services; allows the commissioner to apply to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for enhanced federal financial participation related to the registry's development, maintenance, and ongoing operation.	10/1/2024	Under Development
	House Bill 5001	Requires DSS post in a prominent location on the DSS website that links to the Medicare online reporting tool that allows the public to compare nursing homes by quality of care.	10/1/2024	Medicaid Nursing Home Reimbursement (ct.gov)
	House Bill 5001	Requires the DSS commissioner to establish a presumptive Medicaid eligibility system for people applying to the Medicaid-funded portion of CHCPE; requires the state to pay for up to 90 days of home care applicants determined to be presumptively Medicaid eligible; expands DSS annual CHCPE reporting requirements to include data on the presumptive Medicaid eligibility system.	7/1/2024	This will require a Medicaid 1115 demonstration waiver. DSS is assessing resources to develop, submit and support a waiver

	House Bill 5001	Adds language to include nonparent caretaker relatives and legal guardians to provide child care services through family resource center programs	10/1/2024	Under Development
	House Bill 5001	DSS may seek approval of an amendment to the State Medicaid plan to provide incentives for the Center's of Excellence Program designees	7/1/2024	DSS needs to meet with DPH to develop criteria for Centers of Excellence
Public Act No 24-50	Senate Bill 307	Requires DSS, to the extent allowable under federal law, and when medically necessary, to provide coverage for biomarker testing for the purpose of diagnosis, treatment, appropriate management, or ongoing monitoring of a Medicaid enrollee's disease or condition.	7/1/2024	COMPLETED
Public Act 24-58	Senate Bill 308	DSS shall not require a new wheelchair prescription or prior authorization for the medically necessary repair of a customized wheelchair unless the original prescription is more than five years old.	7/1/2024	Completed: Get-Download-File (ctdssmap.com)
Public Act 24-99	Senate Bill 396	Requires DSS, upon request from the Commissioner of Aging and Disability Services, or from an area agency on aging contracting with ADS, to provide information on whether a person who is eligible to receive services under the elderly nutrition program is receiving SNAP benefits.	7/1/2024	Information will be provided upon request

Public Act 24-130	House Bill 5367	Requires DSS, within available appropriations, to provide medically necessary Medicaid coverage for rapid whole genome sequencing of a critically ill infant enrolled in the Medicaid program who is being treated in a neonatal intensive care or pediatric intensive care unit.	7/1/2024	Under Review
Public Act 24-19	Senate Bill 1	Requires home health agencies to do monthly safety assessments with direct care staff. It also requires them to adopt and implement a home care worker health and safety training curriculum consistent with the one endorsed by the federal (1) Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health and (2) Occupational Safety and Health Administration. The bill requires DSS to generally require these agencies to provide evidence that they adopted and implemented this training curriculum in order to continue receiving Medicaid reimbursement.	10/1/2024	DSS is developign a strategy for compliance reporting by home health agencies
	Senate Bill 1	Requires DSS to establish a home health worker safety grant program by no later than January 1st, 2025. DSS must also establish eligibility requirements, priority categories, funding limitations and the application process for the grant program	Effective From Passage	Applications will be available August 1, 2024. Agencies will apply for grant funds from DSS to improve worker safety

Public Act 24-82	House Bill 5003	Requires, by January 1, 2025, DPH, in collaboration with DSS and the Department of Agriculture (DoAg), to develop a plan to streamline cross-enrollment of any child who is receiving services under HUSKY A, in 1) WIC, 2) SNAP, and 3) the CT Farmer's Market/ WIC nutrition program. The agencies shall report to the Public Health, Human Services, and Environment Committees by January 1, 2025 on the plan. The Departments shall also create, by January 1, 2025, a fact sheet containing eligibility requirements, instructions for applying to these programs, translated into the 5 most commonly spoken languages in the state, and include phone numbers for HUSKY A outreach office	Effective From Passage	
Public Act 24-74	Senate Bill 5	Requires DSS and OEC to enter into a memorandum of understanding for the purpose of sharing, to the extent possible under federal law, Medicaid enrollment data between DSS and OEC for individuals enrolled in Medicaid and seeking enrollment in childcare subsidy program.	7/1/2024	

Studies and Work Groups

Public Act 24-19	Senate Bill 1	Establishes a working group to examine hospice services for pediatric patients across the state. The DSS Commissioner, or designee, is a member of the group. The group shall report to the Public Health Committee on its findings by March 1, 2025	Effective From Passage	Awaiting outreach from working group lead
	Senate Bill 1	Establishes a working group to study staff and safety issues affecting home health care and home health aide agencies. DSS Commissioner or designee is a member of the work group. The work group must report to the Public Health Committee on its finding by January 1, 2025.	Effective From Passage	Awaiting outreach from working group lead
Public Act 24-130	House Bill 5367	Requires DSS, within available appropriations, to provide medically necessary Medicaid coverage for rapid whole genome sequencing of a critically ill infant enrolled in the Medicaid program who is being treated in a neonatal intensive care or pediatric intensive care unit.	Effective July 1, 2024	No funding allocated so cannot implement - curently when this is performed as part of an inpatient hospital admission, the reimbursement is considered as part of the overall APR-DRG reimbursement

Public Act 24-130	House Bill 5367	Requires DSS to study the feasibility of expanding Medicaid coverage for diapers to children from birth to age three for whom diapers are medically necessary. DSS shall report to the Human Services Committee by January 1, 2025, with recommendations on (1) Federal requirements for Medicaid coverage of diapers for such children, (2) a summary of diaper coverage under Medicaid programs in other states, (3) clinical best practices, (4) operational and programmatic considerations, (5) opportunities to utilize the existing diaper coverage system for certain Medicaid recipients, (6) coverage options, and (7) fiscal impact to the state.	Effective From Passage	DSS is gathering data to complete this report
Public Act 24-134	House Bill 5373	Requires DSS to submit an annual report on the autism waiver, replacing a previous, outdated reporting requirement. The report shall include the number and age ranges of persons on the waitlist, the number and age ranges of individuals added to and subtracted from the waitlist, whether the waitlist has increased or decreased over the prior year, and other various information and data.	Effective From Passage	Report due January 1, 2025
		Requires OPM to establish an interagency coalition with DDS and DSS to meet quarterly and work on strategies to reduce silos in the provision of state services.	Effective From Passage	

Public Act 24-39	House Bill 5001	Requires the DSS commissioner to (1) study the feasibility of providing a family caregiver support benefit through a Medicaid Section 1115 waiver and (2) report the study results to the Aging and Human Services Committees by January 1, 2025.	Effective From Passage	
Public Act 24-141	House Bill 5046	Establishes a working group to study the impact of prohibiting nursing homes from placing newly admitted residents in rooms with no more than two beds. The DSS Commissioner or designee is a member of the work group, which shall report to the Aging Committee by January 1, 2026, and dissolve thereafter	Effective From Passage	Awaiting outreach from working group lead
Special Act 24-4	House Bill 5455	Requires DSS to study its own efficiency in making eligibility determinations for medical assistance and responding to telephonic requests for information assistance. DSS must report to MAPOC not less than quarterly, on data gathered pursuant to this study, until July 1, 2026.	Effective From Passage	Gathering data
Special Act 24-5	House Bill 5458	Requires DSS, in consultation with DOH and DMHAS, to develop a strategic plan to improve outcomes for participants in the CHESS program and to reduce housing instability state-wide. DSS, in consultation with the agencies listed above, must submit a report to the Aging, Children's, Housing, Human Services, and Public Health Committees no later than January 1st, 2025.	7/1/2024	Internal discussions ongoing; next step will be organizing meetings with sister agencies

[Public Act 24-58](#)

Senate Bill 308	Establishes a complex rehabilitation technology and wheelchair repair advisory council to monitor repairs of wheelchairs. DSS Commissioner or designee shall be a member of the council. Not later than January 1, 2025, and annually thereafter, the council shall report to the Aging, General Law, Human Services, and Insurance Committees.	7/1/2024	Designee identified; awaiting scheduling of first meeting
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[Public Act 24-99](#)

Senate Bill 396	Requires DSS to develop a plan to maximize SNAP benefits to support the elderly nutrition program. Not later than October 1, 2024, DSS shall file a report on the plan to the Aging and Human Services Committees	7/1/2024	Conversations with ADS ongoing
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[Public Act 24-130](#)

House Bill 5367	Establishes a working group to study and make recommendations concerning eliminating or reducing the waiting list for services in the Katie Beckett Waiver Program and establishing priority placements on such list based on illness and life expectancy. DSS Commissioner or designee is a member of the work group. The group shall submit a report to the	7/1/2024	Designee identified; awaiting scheduling of first meeting
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