

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

SENATE AMENDMENTS TO S.B. 1267

(Reference to printed bill)

1 Page 1, line 42, strike "or certificate"

2 Page 2, line 5, after the second quotation mark insert ":

3 (a)"

4 Between lines 12 and 13, insert:

5 "(b) INCLUDES SUPERVISION PROVIDED THROUGH TELEHEALTH AS DEFINED IN  
6 SECTION 36-3601."

7 Line 16, strike "certification" insert "LICENSURE"

8 Strike line 32, insert "IMAGING AND LABORATORY TESTS."

9 Page 3, strike lines 7 and 8

10 Renumber to conform

11 Between lines 21 and 22, insert:

12 "Sec. 2. Section 32-2022, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
13 read:

14 32-2022. Qualifications for licensure; fingerprint clearance  
15 card

16 A. An applicant for a license as a physical therapist who has been  
17 educated in the United States shall:

18 1. Complete the application process.

19 2. Be a graduate of a professional physical therapy education  
20 program that is accredited by a national accreditation agency approved by  
21 the board.

22 3. Have successfully passed the national examination approved by the  
23 board.

1           4. Have successfully passed a jurisprudence examination that tests  
2 the applicant's knowledge of board statutes and rules.

3           5. Obtain a valid fingerprint clearance card issued pursuant to  
4 section 41-1758.03.

5           B. An applicant for a license as a physical therapist who has been  
6 educated outside of the United States shall:

7           1. Complete the application process.

8           2. Provide satisfactory evidence that the applicant's education is  
9 substantially equivalent to the requirements of physical therapists  
10 educated in accredited educational programs as determined by the board. If  
11 the board determines that a foreign-educated applicant's education is not  
12 substantially equivalent, it may require the person to complete additional  
13 coursework before it proceeds with the application process. It is not  
14 necessary that coursework completed by the applicant be identical in all  
15 respects to that required by an education program in the United States for  
16 an entry-level physical therapy degree, but all required content areas must  
17 be evident as required by board rules. Deficiencies may occur only in  
18 coursework and not in essential areas of professional education and shall  
19 not be of a magnitude that would cause the education to be deemed below  
20 entry-level preparation for practice in this state.

21           3. Provide written proof of legal authorization to practice as a  
22 physical therapist without limitation in the country where the professional  
23 education occurred. The board may waive this requirement on receipt of  
24 written proof that the applicant cannot demonstrate legal authorization  
25 based on the citizenship requirements of the country where the professional  
26 education occurred.

27           4. Provide proof of legal authorization to reside and seek  
28 employment in the United States or its territories.

29           5. Have passed the board-approved English proficiency examinations  
30 if the applicant's native language is not English.

1           6. Have participated in an interim supervised clinical practice  
2 period before licensure as approved by the board or shall have already met  
3 this requirement to the board's satisfaction by virtue of the applicant's  
4 clinical practice in another jurisdiction of the United States.

5           7. Have successfully passed the national examination approved by the  
6 board.

7           8. Have successfully passed a jurisprudence examination that tests  
8 the applicant's knowledge of board statutes and rules.

9           9. Obtain a valid fingerprint clearance card issued pursuant to  
10 section 41-1758.03.

11           C. Notwithstanding the requirements of subsection B of this section,  
12 if the foreign-educated physical therapist applicant is a graduate of an  
13 accredited educational program as determined by the board, the board may  
14 waive the requirements of subsection B, paragraphs 2 and 6 of this section.

15           D. An applicant for ~~certification~~ LICENSURE as a physical therapist  
16 assistant shall meet the following requirements:

- 17           1. Complete the application process.  
18           2. Be a graduate of a physical therapist assistant education program  
19 accredited by an agency approved by the board.  
20           3. Have successfully passed the national examination approved by the  
21 board.

22           4. Have successfully passed a jurisprudence examination that tests  
23 the applicant's knowledge of board statutes and rules.

24           5. Obtain a valid fingerprint clearance card issued pursuant to  
25 section 41-1758.03.

26           E. For the purposes of subsection B, paragraph 2 of this section,  
27 "substantially equivalent" means that the applicant provides documentation  
28 satisfactory to the board that:

- 29           1. The applicant graduated from a physical therapist education  
30 program that prepares the applicant to engage without restriction in the  
31 practice of physical therapy.

1           2. The applicant's school of physical therapy education is  
2 recognized by its own ministry of education. The board may waive this  
3 requirement for good cause shown.

4           3. The applicant has undergone a credentials evaluation as directed  
5 by the board that determines that the applicant has met uniform criteria  
6 for educational requirements pursuant to board rules.

7           4. The applicant has completed any additional education required by  
8 the board.

9           Sec. 3. Section 32-2024, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
10 read:

11           32-2024. Examinations

12           A. The board shall prescribe examinations for licensure ~~and~~  
13 ~~certification~~ and determine the passing score.

14           B. An applicant may take the examinations for licensure if either of  
15 the following applies:

16           1. The applicant has met all of the requirements of section 32-2022,  
17 subsection A, paragraphs 1 and 2 and has paid the fees prescribed by this  
18 chapter.

19           2. The applicant has:

20           (a) Met all of the requirements of section 32-2022, subsection A,  
21 paragraph 1.

22           (b) Paid the fees prescribed by this chapter.

23           (c) Submitted with the application a letter on the official  
24 letterhead of the accredited educational institution where the applicant is  
25 completing an accredited educational program that includes the signature of  
26 the program director, the department chairperson or a similarly authorized  
27 person of the university or college and that states that:

28           (i) The applicant is a candidate for a degree as a physical  
29 therapist at the next scheduled graduation date.

30           (ii) The date the national examination for licensure is to be taken  
31 by the applicant is the one nearest to and before the applicant's expected

1 graduation date and is not more than one hundred twenty days before the  
2 date of the applicant's expected graduation date.

3 (iii) The applicant meets any other established requirements of the  
4 accredited educational program, if applicable.

5 C. An applicant may take the examinations for licensure if the  
6 applicant has met all of the requirements of section 32-2022, subsection B,  
7 paragraphs 1 through 5 and has paid the fees prescribed by this chapter.

8 D. An applicant may take the examinations for ~~certification~~  
9 LICENSURE if either of the following applies:

10 1. The applicant has met all of the requirements of section 32-2022,  
11 subsection D, paragraphs 1 and 2 and has paid the fees prescribed by this  
12 chapter.

13 2. The applicant has:

14 (a) Met all of the requirements of section 32-2022, subsection D,  
15 paragraph 1.

16 (b) Paid the fees prescribed by this chapter.

17 (c) Submitted with the application a letter on the official  
18 letterhead of the accredited educational institution where the applicant is  
19 completing an accredited educational program that includes the signature of  
20 the program director, the department chairperson or a similarly authorized  
21 person of the university, school or college and that states that:

22 (i) The applicant is a candidate for a certificate or degree as a  
23 physical therapist assistant at the next scheduled graduation date.

24 (ii) The date the national examination for ~~certification~~ LICENSURE  
25 is to be taken by the applicant is the one nearest to and before the  
26 applicant's expected graduation date and is not more than one hundred  
27 twenty days before the date of the applicant's expected graduation date.

28 (iii) The applicant meets any other established requirements of the  
29 accredited educational program, if applicable.

30 E. An applicant for licensure ~~or certification~~ who does not pass the  
31 national examination after the first attempt may retake the examination one  
32 additional time within six months after the first failure without

1 reapplication for licensure ~~or certification~~. An applicant may retake the  
2 examinations as prescribed by the organization that administers the  
3 examinations.

4 F. The board shall not issue a license ~~or certificate~~ to a person  
5 who passes an examination through fraud.

6 G. The national examination for licensure as a physical therapist  
7 shall test entry-level competence related to physical therapy theory,  
8 examination and evaluation, diagnosis, prognosis, treatment intervention,  
9 prevention and consultation. The national examination for ~~certification~~  
10 LICENSURE as a physical therapist assistant shall test for requisite  
11 knowledge and skills in the technical application of physical therapy  
12 services.

13 Sec. 4. Section 32-2026, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
14 read:

15 32-2026. Licensure by endorsement

16 A. The board shall issue a license to a physical therapist who has a  
17 valid unrestricted license from another jurisdiction of the United States  
18 if that person, when granted the license, met all of the requirements  
19 prescribed in section 32-2022, subsection A or B and any applicable board  
20 rules.

21 B. The board shall issue a ~~certificate~~ LICENSE to a physical  
22 therapist assistant who has a valid unrestricted license or certificate  
23 from another jurisdiction of the United States if that person, when granted  
24 the license or certificate, ~~meets~~ MET all of the requirements prescribed in  
25 section 32-2022, subsection D and any applicable board rules.

26 Sec. 5. Section 32-2027, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
27 read:

28 32-2027. License renewal; suspension

29 A. A licensee ~~or certificate holder~~ shall renew the license ~~or~~  
30 ~~certificate~~ pursuant to board rules. Except as provided in section  
31 32-4301, a licensee ~~or certificate holder~~ who fails to renew the license ~~or~~

1 ~~certificate~~ on or before its expiration date shall not practice as a  
2 physical therapist or work as a physical therapist assistant in this state.

3 B. The board shall administratively suspend a license ~~or certificate~~  
4 if the licensee ~~or certificate holder~~ does not submit a complete  
5 application for renewal and pay the renewal fee pursuant to board rules.

6 Sec. 6. Section 32-2028, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
7 read:

8 32-2028. Reinstatement of license

9 A. The board may reinstate a license ~~or certificate~~ that it  
10 suspended pursuant to section 32-2027, subsection B on payment of a renewal  
11 fee and reinstatement fee and completion of the application process as  
12 prescribed by the board.

13 B. If a person's license ~~or certificate~~ has been suspended pursuant  
14 to section 32-2027, subsection B for more than three consecutive years, the  
15 license ~~or certificate~~ expires and that person shall reapply for a license  
16 ~~or certificate~~ pursuant to section 32-2022 or 32-2026 and pay all  
17 applicable fees. The person must also demonstrate to the board's  
18 satisfaction competency by satisfying one or more of the following as  
19 prescribed by the board:

- 20 1. Practicing for a specified time under an interim permit.
- 21 2. Completing remedial courses.
- 22 3. Completing continuing competence requirements for the period of  
23 the lapsed license.
- 24 4. Passing an examination.

25 Sec. 7. Section 32-2032, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
26 read:

27 32-2032. Inactive status; reinstatement to active status

28 A. The board shall place a licensee ~~or certificate holder~~ on  
29 inactive status and waive the continuing competence requirements if a  
30 licensee ~~or certificate holder~~ presents a written affidavit to the board  
31 that the licensee ~~or certificate holder~~ is not currently engaged in the  
32 practice of physical therapy or working as a physical therapist assistant

1 in this state, is in good standing with the board and has paid all fees  
2 required by this chapter.

3 B. During the period of inactive status pursuant to subsection A OF  
4 THIS SECTION, the inactive licensee ~~or certificate holder~~ may not engage in  
5 the practice of physical therapy or work as a physical therapist assistant  
6 in this state.

7 C. A licensee ~~or certificate holder~~ on inactive status must renew  
8 the inactive license ~~or certificate~~ every two years using the same schedule  
9 for renewal of an active license ~~or certificate~~. The board by rule shall  
10 prescribe the fee for the renewal of an inactive license ~~or certificate~~.

11 D. An inactive licensee ~~or certificate holder~~ who applies to the  
12 board for reinstatement to active licensure ~~or certification~~ within three  
13 years after the date the board issues a notice of inactive status must  
14 submit the full annual ~~license~~ renewal fee and prove to the board's  
15 satisfaction that the licensee ~~or certificate holder~~ has met continuing  
16 competence requirements as prescribed by the board by rule.

17 E. An inactive licensee ~~or certificate holder~~ who applies to the  
18 board for reinstatement to active licensure ~~or certification~~ and who has  
19 not been actively engaged in the practice of physical therapy or working as  
20 a physical therapist assistant in this state for more than three  
21 consecutive years after the date the board issues a notice of inactive  
22 status must submit the full annual ~~license~~ renewal fee and demonstrate  
23 competency to the board's satisfaction by satisfying one or more of the  
24 following as prescribed by the board:

- 25 1. Practicing or working for a specified time under an interim  
26 permit.
- 27 2. Completing remedial courses.
- 28 3. Completing continuing competence requirements for the period of  
29 the inactive license ~~or certificate~~.
- 30 4. Passing an examination.

1           Sec. 8. Section 32-2042, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
2 read:

3           32-2042. Use of titles; restrictions; violation;  
4                                   classification

5           A. A physical therapist shall use the letters "PT" in connection  
6 with the physical therapist's name or place of business to denote licensure  
7 under this chapter. A physical therapist on retired status shall use  
8 "(retired)" or "(ret.)" after the letters "PT" in connection with the  
9 physical therapist's name or place of business to denote the physical  
10 therapist's retired status pursuant to section 32-2031.

11           B. A physical therapist assistant shall use the letters "PTA" in  
12 connection with that person's name to denote ~~certification~~ LICENSURE  
13 pursuant to this chapter. A physical therapist assistant on retired status  
14 shall use "(retired)" or "(ret.)" after the letters "PTA" in connection  
15 with the physical therapist assistant's name or place of business to denote  
16 the physical therapist assistant's retired status pursuant to section  
17 32-2031.

18           C. A person or business entity or its employees, agents or  
19 representatives shall not use in connection with that person's name or the  
20 name or activity of the business the words "physical therapy", "physical  
21 therapist", "physiotherapy", "physiotherapist" or "registered physical  
22 therapist", the letters "PT", "LPT", "RPT", "MPT", "DScPT" or "DPT" or any  
23 other words, abbreviations or insignia indicating or implying directly or  
24 indirectly that physical therapy is provided or supplied, including the  
25 billing of services labeled as physical therapy, unless these services are  
26 provided by or under the direction of a physical therapist who is licensed  
27 pursuant to this chapter. A person or entity that violates this subsection  
28 is guilty of a class 1 misdemeanor.

29           D. A person or business entity shall not advertise, bill or  
30 otherwise promote a person who is not licensed pursuant to this chapter as  
31 being a physical therapist or offering physical therapy services.

1           E. A person shall not use the title "physical therapist assistant"  
2 or use the letters "PTA" in connection with that person's name or any other  
3 words, abbreviations or insignia indicating or implying directly or  
4 indirectly that the person is a physical therapist assistant unless that  
5 person is ~~certified~~ LICENSED as a physical therapist assistant pursuant to  
6 this chapter. A person who violates this subsection is guilty of a class 1  
7 misdemeanor."

8 Renumber to conform

9 Page 4, after line 23, insert:

10           "Sec. 10. Section 36-2907, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
11 read:

12           36-2907. Covered health and medical services; modifications;  
13                           related delivery of service requirements; rules;  
14                           definition

15           A. Subject to the limits and exclusions specified in this section,  
16 contractors shall provide the following medically necessary health and  
17 medical services:

18           1. Inpatient hospital services that are ordinarily furnished by a  
19 hospital to care FOR and treat inpatients and that are provided under the  
20 direction of a physician or a primary care practitioner. For the purposes  
21 of this section, inpatient hospital services exclude services in an  
22 institution for tuberculosis or mental diseases unless authorized under an  
23 approved section 1115 waiver.

24           2. Outpatient health services that are ordinarily provided in  
25 hospitals, clinics, offices and other health care facilities by licensed  
26 health care providers. Outpatient health services include services  
27 provided by or under the direction of a physician or a primary care  
28 practitioner, including occupational therapy.

29           3. Other laboratory and X-ray services ordered by a physician or a  
30 primary care practitioner.

1           4. Medications that are ordered on prescription by a physician or a  
2 dentist who is licensed pursuant to title 32, chapter 11. Persons who are  
3 dually eligible for title XVIII and title XIX services must obtain  
4 available medications through a medicare licensed or certified medicare  
5 advantage prescription drug plan, a medicare prescription drug plan or any  
6 other entity authorized by medicare to provide a medicare part D  
7 prescription drug benefit.

8           5. Medical supplies, durable medical equipment, insulin pumps and  
9 prosthetic devices ordered by a physician or a primary care practitioner.  
10 Suppliers of durable medical equipment shall provide the administration  
11 with complete information about the identity of each person who has an  
12 ownership or controlling interest in their business and shall comply with  
13 federal bonding requirements in a manner prescribed by the administration.

14           6. For persons who are at least twenty-one years of age, treatment  
15 of medical conditions of the eye, excluding eye examinations for  
16 prescriptive lenses and the provision of prescriptive lenses.

17           7. Early and periodic health screening and diagnostic services as  
18 required by section 1905(r) of title XIX of the social security act for  
19 members who are under twenty-one years of age.

20           8. Family planning services that do not include abortion or abortion  
21 counseling. If a contractor elects not to provide family planning  
22 services, this election does not disqualify the contractor from delivering  
23 all other covered health and medical services under this chapter. In that  
24 event, the administration may contract directly with another contractor,  
25 including an outpatient surgical center or a noncontracting provider, to  
26 deliver family planning services to a member who is enrolled with the  
27 contractor that elects not to provide family planning services.

28           9. Podiatry services that are performed by a podiatrist who is  
29 licensed pursuant to title 32, chapter 7 and ordered by a primary care  
30 physician or primary care practitioner.

1           10. Nonexperimental transplants approved for title XIX  
2 reimbursement.

3           11. Dental services as follows:

4           (a) Except as provided in subdivision (b) of this paragraph, for  
5 persons who are at least twenty-one years of age, emergency dental care and  
6 extractions in an annual amount of not more than \$1,000 per member.

7           (b) Subject to approval by the centers for medicare and medicaid  
8 services, for persons treated at an Indian health service or tribal  
9 facility, adult dental services that are eligible for a federal medical  
10 assistance percentage of one hundred percent and that exceed the limit  
11 prescribed in subdivision (a) of this paragraph.

12          12. Ambulance and nonambulance transportation, except as provided in  
13 subsection G of this section.

14          13. Hospice care.

15          14. Orthotics, if all of the following apply:

16           (a) The use of the orthotic is medically necessary as the preferred  
17 treatment option consistent with medicare guidelines.

18           (b) The orthotic is less expensive than all other treatment options  
19 or surgical procedures to treat the same diagnosed condition.

20           (c) The orthotic is ordered by a physician or primary care  
21 practitioner.

22          15. Subject to approval by the centers for medicare and medicaid  
23 services, medically necessary chiropractic services that are performed by a  
24 chiropractor who is licensed pursuant to title 32, chapter 8 and that are  
25 ordered by a primary care physician or primary care practitioner pursuant  
26 to rules adopted by the administration. The primary care physician or  
27 primary care practitioner may initially order up to twenty visits annually  
28 that include treatment and may request authorization for additional  
29 chiropractic services in that same year if additional chiropractic services  
30 are medically necessary.

1           16. For up to ten program hours annually, diabetes outpatient  
2 self-management training services, as defined in 42 United States Code  
3 section 1395x, if prescribed by a primary care practitioner in either of  
4 the following circumstances:

5           (a) The member is initially diagnosed with diabetes.

6           (b) For a member who has previously been diagnosed with diabetes,  
7 either:

8           (i) A change occurs in the member's diagnosis, medical condition or  
9 treatment regimen.

10          (ii) The member is not meeting appropriate clinical outcomes.

11          B. The limits and exclusions for health and medical services  
12 provided under this section are as follows:

13           1. Circumcision of newborn males is not a covered health and medical  
14 service.

15           2. For eligible persons who are at least twenty-one years of age:

16           (a) Outpatient health services do not include speech therapy.

17           (b) Prosthetic devices do not include hearing aids, dentures,  
18 bone-anchored hearing aids or cochlear implants. Prosthetic devices,  
19 except prosthetic implants, may be limited to \$12,500 per contract year.

20           (c) Percussive vests are not covered health and medical services.

21           (d) Durable medical equipment is limited to items covered by  
22 medicare.

23           (e) Nonexperimental transplants do not include pancreas-only  
24 transplants.

25           (f) Bariatric surgery procedures, including laparoscopic and open  
26 gastric bypass and restrictive procedures, are not covered health and  
27 medical services.

28          C. The system shall pay noncontracting providers only for health and  
29 medical services as prescribed in subsection A of this section and as  
30 prescribed by rule.

1           D. The director shall adopt rules necessary to limit, to the extent  
2 possible, the scope, duration and amount of services, including maximum  
3 limits for inpatient services that are consistent with federal regulations  
4 under title XIX of the social security act (P.L. 89-97; 79 Stat. 344; 42  
5 United States Code section 1396 (1980)). To the extent possible and  
6 practicable, these rules shall provide for the prior approval of medically  
7 necessary services provided pursuant to this chapter.

8           E. The director shall make available home health services in lieu of  
9 hospitalization pursuant to contracts awarded under this article. For the  
10 purposes of this subsection, "home health services" means the provision of  
11 nursing services, home health aide services or medical supplies, equipment  
12 and appliances that are provided on a part-time or intermittent basis by a  
13 licensed home health agency within a member's residence based on the orders  
14 of a physician or a primary care practitioner. Home health agencies shall  
15 comply with the federal bonding requirements in a manner prescribed by the  
16 administration.

17           F. The director shall adopt rules for the coverage of behavioral  
18 health services for persons who are eligible under section 36-2901,  
19 paragraph 6, subdivision (a). The administration acting through the  
20 regional behavioral health authorities shall establish a diagnostic and  
21 evaluation program to which other state agencies shall refer children who  
22 are not already enrolled pursuant to this chapter and who may be in need of  
23 behavioral health services. In addition to an evaluation, the  
24 administration acting through regional behavioral health authorities shall  
25 also identify children who may be eligible under section 36-2901,  
26 paragraph 6, subdivision (a) or section 36-2931, paragraph 5 and shall  
27 refer the children to the appropriate agency responsible for making the  
28 final eligibility determination.

29           G. The director shall adopt rules providing for transportation  
30 services and rules providing for copayment by members for transportation  
31 for other than emergency purposes. Subject to approval by the centers for  
32 medicare and medicaid services, nonemergency medical transportation shall

1 not be provided except for stretcher vans and ambulance transportation.  
2 Prior authorization is required for transportation by stretcher van and for  
3 medically necessary ambulance transportation initiated pursuant to a  
4 physician's direction. Prior authorization is not required for medically  
5 necessary ambulance transportation services rendered to members or eligible  
6 persons initiated by dialing telephone number 911 or other designated  
7 emergency response systems.

8 H. The director may adopt rules to allow the administration, at the  
9 director's discretion, to use a second opinion procedure under which  
10 surgery may not be eligible for coverage pursuant to this chapter without  
11 documentation as to need by at least two physicians or primary care  
12 practitioners.

13 I. If the director does not receive bids within the amounts budgeted  
14 or if at any time the amount remaining in the Arizona health care cost  
15 containment system fund is insufficient to pay for full contract services  
16 for the remainder of the contract term, the administration, on notification  
17 to system contractors at least thirty days in advance, may modify the list  
18 of services required under subsection A of this section for persons defined  
19 as eligible other than those persons defined pursuant to section 36-2901,  
20 paragraph 6, subdivision (a). The director may also suspend services or  
21 may limit categories of expense for services defined as optional pursuant  
22 to title XIX of the social security act (P.L. 89-97; 79 Stat. 344; 42  
23 United States Code section 1396 (1980)) for persons defined pursuant to  
24 section 36-2901, paragraph 6, subdivision (a). Such reductions or  
25 suspensions do not apply to the continuity of care for persons already  
26 receiving these services.

27 J. All health and medical services provided under this article shall  
28 be provided in the geographic service area of the member, except:

29 1. Emergency services and specialty services provided pursuant to  
30 section 36-2908.

1           2. That the director may allow the delivery of health and medical  
2 services in other than the geographic service area in this state or in an  
3 adjoining state if the director determines that medical practice patterns  
4 justify the delivery of services or a net reduction in transportation costs  
5 can reasonably be expected. Notwithstanding the definition of physician as  
6 prescribed in section 36-2901, if services are procured from a physician or  
7 primary care practitioner in an adjoining state, the physician or primary  
8 care practitioner shall be licensed to practice in that state pursuant to  
9 licensing statutes in that state that are similar to title 32, chapter 13,  
10 15, 17 or 25 and shall complete a provider agreement for this state.

11           K. Covered outpatient services shall be subcontracted by a primary  
12 care physician or primary care practitioner to other licensed health care  
13 providers to the extent practicable for purposes including, but not limited  
14 to, making health care services available to underserved areas, reducing  
15 costs of providing medical care and reducing transportation costs.

16           L. The director shall adopt rules that prescribe the coordination of  
17 medical care for persons who are eligible for system services. The rules  
18 shall include provisions for transferring patients and medical records and  
19 initiating medical care.

20           M. THE ADMINISTRATION AND ITS CONTRACTORS SHALL PROVIDE AN EXCEPTION  
21 TO ANY VISIT LIMITATION FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES WHEN A MEMBER'S  
22 CONDITION IS JUSTIFIED BY DOCUMENTATION INDICATING THAT THE MEMBER REQUIRES  
23 CONTINUED SKILLED THERAPY.

24           ~~M.~~ N. Notwithstanding section 36-2901.08, monies from the hospital  
25 assessment fund established by section 36-2901.09 may not be used to  
26 provide FOR EITHER:

27           1. Chiropractic services as prescribed in subsection A, paragraph 15  
28 of this section.

29           ~~N. Notwithstanding section 36-2901.08, monies from the hospital~~  
30 ~~assessment fund established by section 36-2901.09 may not be used to~~  
31 ~~provide~~

1           2. Diabetes outpatient self-management training services as  
2 prescribed in subsection A, paragraph 16 of this section.

3           0. For the purposes of this section, "ambulance" has the same  
4 meaning prescribed in section 36-2201.

5           Sec. 11. Physical therapist assistants; licensure

6           A physical therapist assistant who is certified pursuant to title 32,  
7 chapter 19, Arizona Revised Statutes, on the effective date of this act may  
8 retain the certification until renewal, at which time the board of physical  
9 therapy shall issue a license.

10          Sec. 12. Conforming legislation

11          The legislative council staff shall prepare proposed legislation  
12 conforming the Arizona Revised Statutes to the provisions of this act in  
13 the fifty-seventh legislature, first regular session."

14 Amend title to conform

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