



2021 ASSEMBLY BILL 765

December 9, 2021 - Introduced by Representatives KURTZ, BROOKS, DITTRICH, GUNDRUM, HORLACHER, MAGNAFICI, ROZAR, SKOWRONSKI, TAUCHEN, TUSLER and WICHGERS, cosponsored by Senators FELZKOWSKI, BALLWEG, AGARD, CARPENTER, DARLING and KOOYENGA. Referred to Committee on Health.

1 **AN ACT relating to:** modifying and creating administrative rules to require
2 reimbursement for group physical therapy under the Medical Assistance
3 program.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill modifies and creates administrative rules to require reimbursement of group physical therapy under the Medical Assistance program. Under current administrative rules, group physical therapy is not a covered service. Under the bill, "group physical therapy" means a physical therapy session at which there are more than one but not more than 10 recipients receiving services together from one or two providers. The bill specifies that physical therapy aides may not be reimbursed for group physical therapy. The Medical Assistance program is a joint state and federal program that provides health services to individuals who have limited financial resources.

For further information see the state fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

4 **SECTION 1.** DHS 107.16 (3) (f) of the administrative code is created to read:

ASSEMBLY BILL 765**SECTION 1**

1 DHS 107.16 (3) (f) *Group physical therapy*. Group physical therapy shall be
2 a covered service. For purposes of this paragraph, “group physical therapy” means
3 a physical therapy session at which there are more than one but not more than 10
4 recipients receiving services together from one or 2 providers. No more than 2
5 providers may be reimbursed for the same session. Physical therapy aides may not
6 be reimbursed for group physical therapy.

7 **SECTION 2.** DHS 107.16 (4) (d) of the administrative code is repealed.

8 **SECTION 3. Effective date.**

9 (1) Notwithstanding s. 227.265, this act takes effect on the day after
10 publication.

11 (END)