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## 2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 529

October 10, 2017 - Introduced by Representative NYGREN, cosponsored by Senator VUKMIR. Referred to Committee on Health.

1     **AN ACT to amend** 49.46 (2) (a) 4. (intro.), 49.46 (2) (b) 6. (intro.) and 49.46 (2) (b)  
2             6. g. of the statutes; **relating to:** requirements for certain services covered  
3             under the Medical Assistance program.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

This bill specifies that certain services may be covered by the Medical Assistance program if prescribed or ordered by a provider acting within the scope of the provider's practice under laws that govern the provider's practice. The federally mandated benefits affected by this change are certain skilled nursing home services; federally mandated benefits provided by a hospital on an outpatient basis; home health services; laboratory and X-ray services; and services and supplies for family planning. Other services affected by this change are intermediate care facility services; physical and occupational therapy; speech, hearing, and language disorder services; medical supplies and equipment; certain services for patients of any institution for mental diseases; nursing services; legend and over-the-counter drugs; personal care services; certain mental health rehabilitative and psychosocial services; community recovery services; and respiratory care services for ventilator-dependent individuals. The Medical Assistance program is a joint federal and state program that provides health services to individuals who have limited financial resources.

