



State of Wisconsin

2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

LRB-5111/1
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2025 BILL

1 **AN ACT *to amend* 252.04 (1), 609.88 (title), 632.895 (14) (title) and 632.895 (14)**

2 **(b); *to create* 609.883 and 632.895 (14c) of the statutes; **relating to:** health**

3 **insurance coverage of vaccines if recommended by certain organizations and**

4 **consideration of recommendations of certain organizations regarding the state**

5 **immunization program vaccination schedule.**

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill applies to health insurance policies and self-insured governmental plans that provide coverage for vaccines recommended by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Under the bill, if the federal government withdraws the recommendations for a vaccine, the policies and plans must continue to provide coverage for the vaccine, on an equal basis, if the vaccine is recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics or American Academy of Family Physicians. The bill also requires the Department of Health Services, in considering diseases for elimination to be included in the vaccination schedule for the state's immunization program, to take into account the recommendations of the American Academy of Pediatrics or American Academy of Family Physicians.

This proposal may contain a health insurance mandate requiring a social and financial impact report under s. 601.423, stats.

BILL**SECTION 1**

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

1 **SECTION 1.** 252.04 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

2 252.04 (1) The department shall carry out a statewide immunization program
3 to eliminate mumps, measles, rubella (German measles), diphtheria, pertussis
4 (whooping cough), poliomyelitis and other diseases that the department specifies by
5 rule, and to protect against tetanus. The department shall, in considering diseases
6 for elimination to be included in the vaccination schedule as provided under this
7 section, take into account the recommendations, if any, of the American Academy of
8 Pediatrics or American Academy of Family Physicians. Any person who immunizes
9 an individual under this section shall maintain records identifying the
10 manufacturer and lot number of the vaccine used, the date of immunization and the
11 name and title of the person who immunized the individual. These records shall be
12 available to the individual or, if the individual is a minor, to his or her parent,
13 guardian or legal custodian upon request.

14 **SECTION 2.** 609.88 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

15 **609.88 (title) Coverage of immunizations for dependents.**

16 **SECTION 3.** 609.883 of the statutes is created to read:

17 **609.883 Coverage of vaccines.** Defined network plans, preferred provider
18 plans, and limited service health organizations are subject to s. 632.895 (14c).

19 **SECTION 4.** 632.895 (14) (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

20 **632.895 (14) (title) COVERAGE OF IMMUNIZATIONS FOR DEPENDENTS.**

21 **SECTION 5.** 632.895 (14) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

22 **632.895 (14) (b) Except Subject to sub. (14c) and except as provided in par. (d),**

1 every disability insurance policy, and every self-insured health plan of the state or a
2 county, city, town, village or school district, that provides coverage for a dependent
3 of the insured shall provide coverage of appropriate and necessary immunizations,
4 from birth to the age of 6 years, for a dependent who is a child of the insured.

5 **SECTION 6.** 632.895 (14c) of the statutes is created to read:

6 **632.895 (14c) COVERAGE OF VACCINES.** Every disability insurance policy, and
7 every self-insured health plan of the state or of a county, city, town, village, or school
8 district, that provides coverage for a vaccine according to the recommendations of
9 the U.S. centers for disease control and prevention shall, if the federal government
10 withdraws the recommendations, continue to provide coverage, on an equal basis,
11 for the vaccine according to the recommendations, if any, of the American Academy
12 of Pediatrics or American Academy of Family Physicians.

13 **(END)**