§ 126-A:67. Statewide Section 1115 Demonstration Waiver: Statewide Section 1115 Demonstration Waiver

I. On or before June 1, 2014, the commissioner, after consultation with stakeholders including state, county, and local officials and health care providers, shall submit a statewide section 1115 demonstration waiver to enhance designated state health programs and transform the Medicaid care delivery system. The section 1115 demonstration waiver will promote the improvement of overall health through increased access to private insurance coverage options and will integrate and align New Hampshire's Medicaid care management program, the provision of coverage to the newly eligible under this chapter, existing Medicaid waivered programs, and other department initiatives in a manner that improves public health, and improves the quality of care and access to care for all Medicaid and CHIP beneficiaries. The waiver shall be used to allow the state maximum flexibility to redesign Medicaid including establishing premium assistance programs that are customized to transform the state's reform goals. To the greatest degree possible programs funded under the demonstration waiver shall complement the mental health settlement and shall be designed to promote innovation, reform delivery systems, and reduce the number of uninsured patients who seek treatment from health care providers.

II. Prior to submitting the waiver to CMS, the commissioner shall present the waiver to the fiscal committee of the general court for approval. The waiver shall be approved by the CMS by December 1, 2014.