



- Subject MA coverage and reimbursement for pharmacy services
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## **Overview**

This bill provides that under both the medical assistance (MA) and MinnesotaCare programs, services provided by a pharmacist that are within both a pharmacist's and a physician's scope of practice must be covered and reimbursed for at the same rate a physician would be reimbursed for the services.

## **Summary**

Section Description

## 1 Coverage and payment for certain pharmacy services.

Adds a subdivision to § 256B.0625. Provides that MA covers services provided by a pharmacist as if they were provided by a physician if the services are within both a pharmacist's and physician's scope of practice. Applies this requirement to MA feefor-service and managed care. Directs the commissioner and managed care organizations to reimburse a pharmacist for a service that is within both a pharmacist's and a physician's scope of practice at an amount no lower than a physician would be reimbursed for the service.

Makes the section effective the later of January 1, 2026, or federal approval.

## 2 Coverage and payment for certain pharmacy services.

Adds a subdivision to § 256L.03. Provides that MinnesotaCare must cover and pay for pharmacy services in the same way that MA does under section 1 of this bill.

Makes the section effective the later of January 1, 2026, or federal approval.

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