



State of Louisiana
Louisiana Department of Health
Office of the Secretary

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Via Statutorily Prescribed Email

To: The Honorable Patrick McMath, Chairman, Senate Health & Welfare Committee
The Honorable Dustin Miller, Chairman, House Health & Welfare Committee

From: Bruce D. Greenstein
Secretary

Re: Second Report to Proposed Amendments to LAC 50:V.120 – Hospital Services – Coverage of Gene Therapies for Sickle Cell Disease

Pursuant to the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, the Louisiana Department of Health, submits its second report regarding the Hospital Services – Coverage of Gene Therapies for Sickle Cell Disease, LAC 50:V.120.

A Notice of Intent on the proposed amendments was published in the July 20, 2025 issue of the *Louisiana Register* (LR 51:993). No written comments were received and there was no request for a public hearing during the notice period. Because there were no requests for a public hearing, one was not held for these proposed amendments. Additionally, no substantive changes were made to the proposed amendments since the report provide for in R.S. 49:966B-C was submitted.

Unless otherwise directed, the Department anticipates adopting the July 20, 2025 Notice of Intent when it is published as a final rule in the October 20, 2025 issue of the *Louisiana Register*.

Please contact Sue Fontenot, Sue.Fontenot@la.gov, and Selena Sims, Selena.Sims@la.gov, if you have any questions or require additional information about this matter.

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