

Legislative action on policy options for emergency department utilization.

NOTE: This document is updated annually if additional legislation is introduced.

Policy option	JCHC action	General Assembly action	Legislation year
1. Direct DMAS to collect and report on the number of claim denials, the reason for denials, and the number of claim resubmissions by provider type.	JCHC recommended (12-0 vote)	HB 1906/SB 1270 Enacted	2023
2. Direct the Virginia Primary Care Task Force, DMAS, and the Virginia Department of Health, Office of Health Equity to study whether scheduling in primary care practices is limiting access by Medicaid patients.	No action taken	N/A	
3. Develop a grant program to establish and enhance hospital-based care management programs.	JCHC recommended (10-1 vote)	HB 1904/SB 926 Failed to pass	2023
4. Develop a grant program to establish and enhance ambulance-based care management programs.	No action taken	N/A	
5. Require hospitals to submit ESI codes, reason codes, and social determinant of health codes on claims, for submission to the All Payer Claims Database.	No action taken	N/A	
6. Request (by letter) a workgroup of stakeholders develop consensus on solutions to consumer confusion regarding free standing or off-campus emergency departments.	JCHC recommended (11-0 vote)	N/A	