

1-1 By: Hull, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Alvarado) H.B. No. 136
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 23, 2025;
1-3 April 24, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Health
1-4 & Human Services; May 6, 2025, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 7, Nays 2; May 6, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to Medicaid coverage and reimbursement for lactation
1-20 consultation services.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 32, Human Resources Code,
1-23 is amended by adding Section 32.02482 to read as follows:

1-24 Sec. 32.02482. MEDICAL ASSISTANCE REIMBURSEMENT FOR
1-25 LACTATION CONSULTATION SERVICES. (a) In this section:

1-26 (1) "Lactation consultant" means an individual
1-27 certified by an international or national certification program
1-28 approved by the commission to provide lactation consultation
1-29 services.

1-30 (2) "Recipient" means a medical assistance program
1-31 recipient.

1-32 (b) The commission shall ensure medical assistance
1-33 reimbursement is provided to a lactation consultant for providing
1-34 lactation consultation services to a recipient.

1-35 (c) The executive commissioner shall establish a separate
1-36 provider type for lactation consultants for purposes of enrollment
1-37 as a provider for and reimbursement under the medical assistance
1-38 program.

1-39 SECTION 2. If before implementing any provision of this Act
1-40 a state agency determines that a waiver or authorization from a
1-41 federal agency is necessary for implementation of that provision,
1-42 the agency affected by the provision shall request the waiver or
1-43 authorization and may delay implementing that provision until the
1-44 waiver or authorization is granted.

1-45 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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