SYNOPSIS
Codifies current practice regarding completion of Perinatal Risk Assessment form by certain Medicaid health care providers.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT
As reported by the Assembly Appropriations Committee on March 18, 2019, with amendments.
AN ACT concerning the Perinatal Risk Assessment form and
supplementing Title 30 of the Revised Statutes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
of New Jersey:

1. An obstetrical provider, nurse midwife, or other licensed
health care professional, approved as a provider under the Medicaid
program established pursuant to P.L.1968, c.413 (C.30:4D-1 et
seq.), shall complete the Perinatal Risk Assessment form, as used
by the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services in the
Department of Human Services, for each pregnant Medicaid
recipient and for each individual eligible for Emergency Medical
Services for Non-Qualified Aliens who receives prenatal care from
the provider. The Perinatal Risk Assessment form shall be the
uniform document used by all providers and Medicaid managed
care plans. The form shall be completed by the provider during the
recipient’s first prenatal visit with the pregnant Medicaid
recipient or other eligible individual and updated by the provider in
the third trimester of the recipient or other eligible individual.

2. The division shall require providers to submit each Perinatal
Risk Assessment form completed pursuant to section 1 of this act to
the division, or to a nonprofit entity contracted by the division to
process, distribute to appropriate Medicaid managed care plans,
and maintain the Perinatal Risk Assessment data. A provider shall
not receive authorization for reimbursement for prenatal services
provided to a pregnant Medicaid recipient until a Perinatal Risk
Assessment form is submitted for that recipient.

3. The division, in collaboration with the Department of
Health, Medicaid managed care organizations, and any nonprofit
entity contracted by the division to process, distribute, and
maintain the Perinatal Risk Assessment data, shall analyze the
Perinatal Risk Assessment data in order to identify trends in the risk
factors associated with Medicaid recipients and individuals eligible
for Emergency Medical Services for Non-Qualified Aliens during
pregnancy. The division shall submit a written report 18 months
following the enactment Commencing no later than 18 months
after the effective date of this act, and annually thereafter, the
division shall submit a written report to the Governor, and to the
Legislature pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-19.1),
providing a summary of their findings and any proposals for legislative action needed to improve the maternal

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.
Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:
1Senate SHH committee amendments adopted February 7, 2019.
2Assembly AAP committee amendments adopted March 18, 2019.
outcomes of Medicaid recipients and individuals eligible for Emergency Medical Services for Non-Qualified Aliens.

4. The Commissioners of Health and Human Services, pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), shall adopt rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of this act.

5. This act shall take effect immediately 365 days after the date of enactment.