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## **HOUSE BILL 606**

45TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2001
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## AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE; REQUIRING CERTAIN COVERAGE BY HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of Chapter 59A, Article 46 NMSA 1978 is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] CHIROPRACTIC PHYSICIANS--MIDWIVES. --

- A. If chiropractic physicians, licensed pursuant to Chapter 61, Article 4 NMSA 1978, are willing to meet the terms and conditions offered by a health maintenance organization, they shall not be excluded from a health maintenance organization.
- B. If midwives, both registered lay midwives and certified nurse-midwives, are willing to meet the terms and conditions offered by a health maintenance organization, they . 135951.1

shall not be excluded from a health maintenance organization.

- C. For purposes of this section:
- (1) "certified nurse-midwife" means any person who is licensed by the board of nursing as a registered nurse and who is registered with the department of health as a certified nurse-midwife; and
- (2) "registered lay midwife" means any person who practices lay midwifery and who is registered as a registered lay midwife with the department of health."

Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. -- The effective date of the provisions of this act is July 1, 2001.

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