

HB 225 -- Health Insurance

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This bill makes changes in the law governing community-based health maintenance organizations. Under current law, these health carriers must maintain a network of providers that is sufficient in number and type of provider so that all enrollees to the plan have access to health care without unreasonable delay. Health carriers must submit to the Department of Insurance a detailed access plan that demonstrates its ability to provide the proper access to health care. The bill declares that an access plan will be deemed adequate if it:

- (1) Is a Medicare + Choice coordinated care plan;
- (2) Is being offered by a health carrier accredited by the National Committee for Quality Assurance; or
- (3) Has been accredited by the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Health Organizations.