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27 (13) "Indirect graduate medical education program" means a
 28 supplemental payment program approved by the Centers for
 29 Medicare and Medicaid Services to provide payments directly to
 30 eligible teaching hospitals based on the hospitals' indirect
 31 graduate medical education costs for services provided.

32 (15) "Low Income Pool Program" means a supplemental
 33 payment program approved by the Centers for Medicare and
 34 Medicaid Services to provide payments directly to hospitals and
 35 other health care providers to reimburse hospitals and providers
 36 for the costs of uncompensated charity care for low-income
 37 individuals.

38 Section 2. Subsection (27) is added to section 409.908,
 39 Florida Statutes, to read:

40 409.908 Reimbursement of Medicaid providers.—Subject to
 41 specific appropriations, the agency shall reimburse Medicaid
 42 providers, in accordance with state and federal law, according
 43 to methodologies set forth in the rules of the agency and in
 44 policy manuals and handbooks incorporated by reference therein.
 45 These methodologies may include fee schedules, reimbursement
 46 methods based on cost reporting, negotiated fees, competitive
 47 bidding pursuant to s. 287.057, and other mechanisms the agency
 48 considers efficient and effective for purchasing services or
 49 goods on behalf of recipients. If a provider is reimbursed based
 50 on cost reporting and submits a cost report late and that cost

51 report would have been used to set a lower reimbursement rate
 52 for a rate semester, then the provider's rate for that semester
 53 shall be retroactively calculated using the new cost report, and
 54 full payment at the recalculated rate shall be effected
 55 retroactively. Medicare-granted extensions for filing cost
 56 reports, if applicable, shall also apply to Medicaid cost
 57 reports. Payment for Medicaid compensable services made on
 58 behalf of Medicaid-eligible persons is subject to the
 59 availability of moneys and any limitations or directions
 60 provided for in the General Appropriations Act or chapter 216.
 61 Further, nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent
 62 or limit the agency from adjusting fees, reimbursement rates,
 63 lengths of stay, number of visits, or number of services, or
 64 making any other adjustments necessary to comply with the
 65 availability of moneys and any limitations or directions
 66 provided for in the General Appropriations Act, provided the
 67 adjustment is consistent with legislative intent.

68 (27) A hospital's participation in the Low Income Pool
 69 Program and indirect graduate medical education program, as
 70 defined in s. 409.901, is contingent on the hospital's
 71 participation in the hospital directed payment program, as
 72 defined in s. 409.901. As used in this subsection, the term
 73 "hospital" has the same meaning as in s. 395.002(12) but does
 74 not include a cancer hospital that meets the criteria in 42
 75 U.S.C. s. 1395ww(d)(1)(B)(v), a public hospital, a medical

76 school physician practice, a federally qualified health center,
 77 a rural health clinic, or a behavioral health provider.

78 Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (20) of section
 79 409.910, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

80 409.910 Responsibility for payments on behalf of Medicaid-
 81 eligible persons when other parties are liable.—

82 (20) (a) Entities providing health insurance as defined in
 83 s. 624.603, health maintenance organizations and prepaid health
 84 clinics as defined in chapter 641, and, on behalf of their
 85 clients, third-party administrators, pharmacy benefits managers,
 86 and any other third parties, as defined in s. 409.901 ~~s.~~
 87 ~~409.901(27)~~, which are legally responsible for payment of a
 88 claim for a health care item or service as a condition of doing
 89 business in the state or providing coverage to residents of this
 90 state, shall provide such records and information as are
 91 necessary to accomplish the purpose of this section, unless such
 92 requirement results in an unreasonable burden.

93 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.