

HOUSE No. 1040

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Adrian C. Madaro

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to pediatric plans of care.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Adrian C. Madaro</i>	<i>1st Suffolk</i>	<i>1/18/2019</i>

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By Mr. Madaro of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1040) of Adrian C. Madaro relative to pediatric plans of care under certain insurance plans. Financial Services.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act relative to pediatric plans of care.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, any child who
2 is being treated for a disability by a provider or therapist licensed under Chapter 112 of the
3 general laws and has a plan of care which is filed with the insurer by the provider or therapist
4 during any one calendar year, and such plan calls for treatment which exceeds the maximum
5 allowable annual treatment sessions under the child's insured plan under Chapter 175 of the
6 general laws shall be granted that maximum allowable number of treatments under the plan of
7 care on an annual basis without further authorization from the insurer on a periodic basis. The
8 insurer shall authorize access to all treatments as filed within the plan of care at the beginning of
9 each calendar year. The provider or therapist shall file quarterly reports with the insurer
10 documenting that the treatment is ongoing and that continued treatment is medically necessary.