

Model Policy: Healthcare Price Transparency

Codify Enhanced Federal Price Transparency Requirements into State Law
Require hospitals to disclose their prices both in a machine-readable format and in a consumer-friendly list.

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The relevant text for this set of reforms begins with “*Section 3: Healthcare Facilities Required to Disclose Certain Prices to Patients*” and ends just before “*Sec. [insert chapter number here].006. MONITORING AND ENFORCEMENT.*”

Strengthen Enforcement and Noncompliance Penalties

Require the state health agency to actively monitor facilities by compliance, levy sanctions on noncompliant facilities that do not take timely, sufficient corrective action after being informed about their status of noncompliance, and make public a continually updated list of noncompliant facilities on a prominent state government website.

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Ban Noncompliant Hospitals from Pursuing Patients for Unpaid Bills

Prohibit facilities that are in a status of noncompliance with price transparency requirements from pursuing collections and other legal remedies against patients with derogatory bills.

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