OVERVIEW: Section 9D.17 of S.L. 2021-180 prohibits the Division of Health Benefits, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), from requiring any local management entity/managed care organization (LME/MCO) to be accredited by any one specific accreditation organization during the first four years that LME/MCOs operate behavioral health and intellectual/developmental disabilities (BH IDD) tailored plan contracts. LME/MCOs that are awarded a BH IDD tailored plan contract must be accredited by an accreditation organization that is selected by the LME/MCO and approved by DHHS based on specified criteria.

This section became effective July 1, 2021.