

# DVHA

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# Housekeeping: the MOP bill

**Medicaid is complex.** It's a challenge to ensure that state laws fully and clearly reflect federal law, state rules, and the actual operation of the program.

**Approach:** use of an annual Medicaid-Only Policy (MOP) bill to achieve this alignment by serving as a vehicle to enact needed legislative changes on a wide range of “housekeeping” issues.

More transparency. Dedicated discussion. Greater compliance.

**Not an open door:** Clear expectations around the bill's purpose must be set and embedded into the legislative culture.

# The MOP bill seeks to achieve:

- Accuracy of statutes
  - Transparency of statutory requirements that govern Medicaid
  - Alignment with federal and state requirements
- Operational efficiency
  - Reasonable operational timelines
  - Enforcement of existing rules
- Administrative efficiency
  - Remove redundancies and obsolete requirements
  - Authority to save money on pharmacy rebates