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SYNOPSIS

Requires health insurance coverage for certain student athlete physical examinations.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



1 **AN ACT** concerning health benefits coverage for physical
2 examinations, and supplementing various parts of the statutory
3 law.
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5 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
6 *of New Jersey:*
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8 1. A hospital service corporation which provides hospital or
9 medical expense benefits under a contract that is delivered, issued,
10 executed, or renewed in this State or approved for issuance or
11 renewal in this State, by the Commissioner of Banking and
12 Insurance, on or after the effective date of this act, shall provide
13 benefits under the contract for expenses for an annual physical
14 examination for the purposes of pre-participation clearance for
15 student athletic or camp activities.

16 The benefits shall be provided to the same extent as for any other
17 preventive health care service under the contract.

18 This section shall apply to those hospital service corporation
19 contracts in which the hospital service corporation has reserved the
20 right to change the premium.
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22 2. A medical service corporation which provides hospital or
23 medical expense benefits under a contract that is delivered, issued,
24 executed, or renewed in this State or approved for issuance or
25 renewal in this State, by the Commissioner of Banking and
26 Insurance, on or after the effective date of this act, shall provide
27 benefits under the contract for expenses for an annual physical
28 examination for the purposes of pre-participation clearance for
29 student athletic or camp activities.

30 The benefits shall be provided to the same extent as for any other
31 preventive health care service under the contract.

32 This section shall apply to those medical service corporation
33 contracts in which the medical service corporation has reserved the
34 right to change the premium.
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36 3. A health service corporation which provides hospital or
37 medical expense benefits under a contract that is delivered, issued,
38 executed, or renewed in this State or approved for issuance or
39 renewal in this State, by the Commissioner of Banking and
40 Insurance, on or after the effective date of this act, shall provide
41 benefits under the contract for expenses for an annual physical
42 examination for the purposes of pre-participation clearance for
43 student athletic or camp activities.

44 The benefits shall be provided to the same extent as for any other
45 preventive health care service under the contract.

46 This section shall apply to those health service corporation
47 contracts in which the health service corporation has reserved the
48 right to change the premium.

1 4. An individual health insurer which provides hospital or
2 medical expense benefits under a policy that is delivered, issued,
3 executed, or renewed in this State or approved for issuance or
4 renewal in this State, by the Commissioner of Banking and
5 Insurance, on or after the effective date of this act, shall provide
6 benefits under the policy for expenses for an annual physical
7 examination for the purposes of pre-participation clearance for
8 student athletic or camp activities.

9 The benefits shall be provided to the same extent as for any other
10 preventive health care service under the policy.

11 This section shall apply to those policies in which the insurer has
12 reserved the right to change the premium.

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14 5. A group health insurer which provides hospital or medical
15 expense benefits under a policy that is delivered, issued, executed,
16 or renewed in this State, or approved for issuance or renewal in this
17 State by the Commissioner of Banking and Insurance, on or after
18 the effective date of this act, shall provide benefits under the policy
19 for expenses for an annual physical examination for the purposes of
20 pre-participation clearance for student athletic or camp activities.

21 The benefits shall be provided to the same extent as for any other
22 preventive health care service under the policy.

23 This section shall apply to those policies in which the insurer has
24 reserved the right to change the premium.

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26 6. A certificate of authority to establish and operate a health
27 maintenance organization in this State shall not be issued or
28 continued on or after the effective date of this act by the
29 Commissioner of Banking and Insurance unless the health
30 maintenance organization provides health care services for an
31 annual physical examination for the purposes of pre-participation
32 clearance for student athletic or camp activities.

33 The health care services shall be provided to the same extent as
34 for any other preventive health care service under the contract.

35 This section shall apply to those contracts for health care
36 services by health maintenance organizations under which the
37 health maintenance organization has reserved the right to change
38 the schedule of charges for enrollee coverage.

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40 7. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary,
41 an individual health benefits plan that is delivered, issued, executed,
42 renewed, or approved for issuance or renewal in this State pursuant
43 to P.L.1992, c.161 (C.17B:27A-2 et seq.), or approved for issuance
44 or renewal in this State by the Commissioner of Banking and
45 Insurance, on or after the effective date of this act, shall provide
46 benefits under the policy for expenses for an annual physical
47 examination for the purposes of pre-participation clearance for
48 student athletic or camp activities.

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1 Benefits Program, and the School Employees' Health Benefits
2 Program) to provide health benefits coverage for expenses for an
3 annual physical examination for the purposes of pre-participation
4 clearance for student athletic or camp activities.

5 The bill takes effect on the 120th day following enactment and
6 applies to policies or contracts issued or renewed on or after that
7 date.