



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 1086**

*January Session, 2003*

**AN ACT CONCERNING INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR MEDICAL NUTRITION THERAPY SERVICES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) Each individual health  
2 insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in  
3 subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general  
4 statutes delivered, issued for delivery, amended, renewed or  
5 continued in this state on or after October 1, 2003, shall provide  
6 coverage for medical nutrition therapy services ordered by a licensed  
7 physician for the treatment or management of cancer or heart disease.  
8 As used in this section, "medical nutrition therapy services" means  
9 nutrition-related diagnostic, therapy and counseling services provided  
10 by a certified dietitian-nutritionist, certified dietitian or certified  
11 nutritionist.

12 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) Each group health insurance  
13 policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2),  
14 (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered,  
15 issued for delivery, amended, renewed or continued in this state on or  
16 after October 1, 2003, shall provide coverage for medical nutrition  
17 therapy services ordered by a licensed physician for the treatment or  
18 management of cancer or heart disease. As used in this section,  
19 "medical nutrition therapy services" means nutrition-related  
20 diagnostic, therapy and counseling services provided by a certified

21 dietitian-nutritionist, certified dietitian or certified nutritionist.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2003</i>
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2003</i>

**INS**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*