



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 6540

January Session, 2009

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AN ACT CONCERNING PRESCRIPTION EYE DROP REFILLS.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2010*) (a) As used in this
2 section, "health insurance policy" means any individual health
3 insurance policy or benefit plan that is delivered, issued for delivery,
4 renewed, amended or continued in this state by an insurer, health care
5 center, hospital service corporation, medical service corporation,
6 fraternal benefit society or governmental entity that provides medical
7 benefits to Medicaid, HUSKY Plan, Charter Oak Plan, ConnPACE or
8 state-administered general assistance recipients.

9 (b) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of
10 the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section
11 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, amended,
12 renewed or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2010, that
13 provides coverage for prescription eye drops, shall not deny coverage
14 for a renewal of prescription eye drops when (1) the renewal is
15 requested by the insured less than thirty days from the later of (A) the
16 date the original prescription was distributed to the insured, or (B) the
17 date the last renewal of such prescription was distributed to the
18 insured, and (2) the prescribing physician indicates on the original
19 prescription that additional quantities are needed and the renewal
20 requested by the insured does not exceed the number of additional

21 quantities needed.

22 Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2010) (a) As used in this section,
23 "health insurance policy" means any group health insurance policy or
24 benefit plan that is delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended
25 or continued in this state by an insurer, health care center, hospital
26 service corporation, medical service corporation, fraternal benefit
27 society or governmental entity that provides medical benefits to
28 Medicaid, HUSKY Plan, Charter Oak Plan, ConnPACE or state-
29 administered general assistance recipients.

30 (b) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the
31 type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-
32 469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, amended,
33 renewed or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2010, that
34 provides coverage for prescription eye drops, shall not deny coverage
35 for a renewal of prescription eye drops when (1) the renewal is
36 requested by the insured less than thirty days from the later of (A) the
37 date the original prescription was distributed to the insured, or (B) the
38 date the last renewal of such prescription was distributed to the
39 insured, and (2) the prescribing physician indicates on the original
40 prescription that additional quantities are needed and the renewal
41 requested by the insured does not exceed the number of additional
42 quantities needed.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	January 1, 2010	New section
Sec. 2	January 1, 2010	New section

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