



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 10

February Session, 2014



AN ACT CONCERNING COPAYMENTS FOR BREAST ULTRASOUND SCREENINGS.

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

1 Section 1. Section 38a-503 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2015*):

3 (a) (1) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage
4 of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (10), (11) and (12) of
5 section 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or
6 continued in this state shall provide benefits for mammographic
7 examinations to any woman covered under the policy that are at least
8 equal to the following minimum requirements: (A) A baseline
9 mammogram for any woman who is thirty-five to thirty-nine years of
10 age, inclusive; and (B) a mammogram every year for any woman who
11 is forty years of age or older.

12 (2) Such policy shall provide additional benefits for:

13 (A) Comprehensive ultrasound screening of an entire breast or
14 breasts if a mammogram demonstrates heterogeneous or dense breast
15 tissue based on the Breast Imaging Reporting and Data System
16 established by the American College of Radiology or if a woman is
17 believed to be at increased risk for breast cancer due to family history
18 or prior personal history of breast cancer, positive genetic testing or

19 other indications as determined by a woman's physician or advanced
20 practice registered nurse; and

21 (B) Magnetic resonance imaging of an entire breast or breasts in
22 accordance with guidelines established by the American Cancer
23 Society.

24 (b) Benefits under this section shall be subject to any policy
25 provisions that apply to other services covered by such policy, except
26 that no such policy shall impose a copayment that exceeds a maximum
27 of twenty dollars for an ultrasound screening under subparagraph (A)
28 of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section.

29 (c) Each mammography report provided to a patient shall include
30 information about breast density, based on the Breast Imaging
31 Reporting and Data System established by the American College of
32 Radiology. Where applicable, such report shall include the following
33 notice: "If your mammogram demonstrates that you have dense breast
34 tissue, which could hide small abnormalities, you might benefit from
35 supplementary screening tests, which can include a breast ultrasound
36 screening or a breast MRI examination, or both, depending on your
37 individual risk factors. A report of your mammography results, which
38 contains information about your breast density, has been sent to your
39 physician's office and you should contact your physician if you have
40 any questions or concerns about this report."

41 Sec. 2. Section 38a-530 of the general statutes is repealed and the
42 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2015*):

43 (a) (1) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the
44 type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-
45 469 delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in
46 this state shall provide benefits for mammographic examinations to
47 any woman covered under the policy that are at least equal to the
48 following minimum requirements: (A) A baseline mammogram for
49 any woman who is thirty-five to thirty-nine years of age, inclusive; and

50 (B) a mammogram every year for any woman who is forty years of age
51 or older.

52 (2) Such policy shall provide additional benefits for:

53 (A) Comprehensive ultrasound screening of an entire breast or
54 breasts if a mammogram demonstrates heterogeneous or dense breast
55 tissue based on the Breast Imaging Reporting and Data System
56 established by the American College of Radiology or if a woman is
57 believed to be at increased risk for breast cancer due to family history
58 or prior personal history of breast cancer, positive genetic testing or
59 other indications as determined by a woman's physician or advanced
60 practice registered nurse; and

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62 accordance with guidelines established by the American Cancer
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65 provisions that apply to other services covered by such policy, except
66 that no such policy shall impose a copayment that exceeds a maximum
67 of twenty dollars for an ultrasound screening under subparagraph (A)
68 of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section.

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70 information about breast density, based on the Breast Imaging
71 Reporting and Data System established by the American College of
72 Radiology. Where applicable, such report shall include the following
73 notice: "If your mammogram demonstrates that you have dense breast
74 tissue, which could hide small abnormalities, you might benefit from
75 supplementary screening tests, which can include a breast ultrasound
76 screening or a breast MRI examination, or both, depending on your
77 individual risk factors. A report of your mammography results, which
78 contains information about your breast density, has been sent to your
79 physician's office and you should contact your physician if you have
80 any questions or concerns about this report."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>January 1, 2015</i>	38a-503
Sec. 2	<i>January 1, 2015</i>	38a-530

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