



General Assembly

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To: Senate Bill No. **417**

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"AN ACT CONCERNING CONFERENCES BETWEEN HEALTH CARRIERS' CLINICAL PEERS AND HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 38a-591d of
4 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
5 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

6 (3) (A) At the time a health carrier notifies a covered person, a
7 covered person's authorized representative or a covered person's
8 health care professional of an initial adverse determination that was
9 based, in whole or in part, on medical necessity, of a concurrent or
10 prospective utilization review or of a benefit request, the health carrier
11 shall notify the covered person's health care professional (i) of the

12 opportunity for a conference as provided in subparagraph (B) of this
 13 subdivision, and (ii) that such conference shall not be considered a
 14 grievance of such initial adverse determination as long as a grievance
 15 has not been filed as set forth in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision.

16 (B) After a health carrier notifies a covered person, a covered
 17 person's authorized representative or a covered person's health care
 18 professional [is notified] of an initial adverse determination that was
 19 based, in whole or in part, on medical necessity, of a concurrent or
 20 prospective utilization review or of a benefit request, [a] the health
 21 carrier [may] shall offer a covered person's health care professional the
 22 opportunity to confer, at the request of the covered person's health
 23 care professional, with a clinical peer of such health carrier, provided
 24 such covered person, covered person's authorized representative or
 25 covered person's health care professional has not filed a grievance of
 26 such initial adverse determination prior to such conference. Such
 27 conference shall not be considered a grievance of such initial adverse
 28 determination."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2015	38a-591d(a)(3)