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CHAPTER 91-H.F.No. 843

An act relating to insurance; health; requiring coverage for hospitalization and anesthesia coverage for dental procedures; requiring coverage for general anesthesia and treatment for covered medical conditions rendered by a dentist; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62A.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. [62A.308] [HOSPITALIZATION AND ANESTHESIA FOR DENTAL PROCEDURES.]

Subdivision 1. [SCOPE OF COVERAGE.] This section applies to a health plan as defined in section 62A.011 that provides coverage to a Minnesota resident.

Subd. 2. [REQUIRED COVERAGES.] (a) A health plan included in subdivision 1 must cover anesthesia and hospital charges for dental care provided to a covered person who: (1) is a child under age five; or (2) is severely disabled; or (3) has a medical condition, and who requires hospitalization or general anesthesia for dental care treatment. A health carrier may require prior authorization of hospitalization for dental care procedures in the same manner that prior authorization is required for hospitalization for other covered diseases or conditions.

(b) A health plan included in subdivision 1 must also provide coverage for general anesthesia and treatment rendered by a dentist for a medical condition covered by the health plan, regardless of whether the services are provided in a hospital or a dental office.

Sec. 2. [EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.]

Section 1 is effective August 1, 1995, and applies to health plans issued or renewed on or after that date.

Presented to the governor April 24, 1995

Signed by the governor April 25, 1995, 2:14 p.m.