

A Bill for an Act Relating to Health Insurance.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Chapter 431, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to article 10A to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“§431:10A- Mammograms; referral not required. (a) For purposes of the annual screening mammogram coverage required under section 431:10A-116, no insurer shall require an insured person forty years of age and older to obtain a referral from a primary care provider or other physician for an annual screening mammogram.

(b) If the screening mammogram indicates that follow up services are advisable, a referral shall be made to the patient’s primary care physician or other physician, as designated by the patient.”

SECTION 2. Chapter 432, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to article 1 to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“§432:1- Mammograms; referral not required. (a) For purposes of the annual screening mammogram coverage required under section 432:1-605, no mutual benefit society shall require a covered person forty years of age and older to obtain a referral from a primary care provider or other physician for an annual screening mammogram.

(b) If the screening mammogram indicates that follow up services are advisable, a referral shall be made to the patient’s primary care physician or other physician, as designated by the patient.”

SECTION 3. Chapter 432, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to article 2 to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“§432:2- Mammogram coverage required; referral not required. (a) A fraternal benefit society shall provide coverage for an annual screening mammogram to the same extent as required under section 431:10A-116; provided that no fraternal benefit society shall require a covered person forty years of age and older to obtain a referral from a primary care provider or other physician for an annual screening mammogram.

(b) If the screening mammogram indicates that follow up services are advisable, a referral shall be made to the patient’s primary care physician or other physician, as designated by the patient.”

SECTION 4. Section 432D-23, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

“§432D-23 Required provisions and benefits. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, each policy, contract, plan, or agreement issued in the State after January 1, 1995, by health maintenance organizations pursuant to this chapter, shall include benefits provided in sections 431:10-212, 431:10A-115, 431:10A-115.5, 431:10A-116, 431:10A-116.5, 431:10A-116.6, 431:10A-119,

431:10A-120, 431:10A-121, 431:10A-125, 431:10A-126, [~~and~~] 431:10A-122, and 431:10A-_____, and chapter 431M.”

SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.¹

SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.

(Approved April 30, 2012.)

Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.