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An Act To Protect the Health of Infants

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 24 MRSA §2332-O is enacted to read:

§ 2332-O. Offer of coverage for medically necessary infant formula

All individual and group nonprofit hospital and medical services plan policies, contracts and certificates and all nonprofit health care plan policies, contracts and certificates must make available coverage for infant formula determined to be medically necessary health care as defined in Title 24-A, section 4301-A, subsection 10-A.

Sec. 2. 24-A MRSA §2762 is enacted to read:

§ 2762. Offer of coverage for medically necessary infant formula

All individual health insurance policies, contracts and certificates must make available coverage for infant formula determined to be medically necessary health care as defined in section 4301-A, subsection 10-A.

Sec. 3. 24-A MRSA §2847-M is enacted to read:

§ 2847-M. Offer of coverage for medically necessary infant formula

All group health insurance policies, contracts and certificates must make available coverage for infant formula determined to be medically necessary health care as defined in section 4301-A, subsection 10-A.

Sec. 4. 24-A MRSA §4253 is enacted to read:

§ 4253. Offer of coverage for medically necessary infant formula

All health maintenance organization individual and group health insurance policies, contracts and certificates must make available coverage for infant formula determined to be medically necessary health care as defined in section 4301-A, subsection 10-A.

Sec. 5. Application. This Act applies to health insurance policies, contracts and certificates executed, delivered, issued for delivery, continued or renewed in this State on or after January 1, 2008. For purposes of this Act, all contracts are deemed to be renewed no later than the next yearly anniversary of the contract date.

SUMMARY

This bill requires health insurance carriers doing business in the State to provide coverage for medically necessary infant formula in individual and group policies, contracts and certificates.