

514F.5 Experimental treatment review.

1. A carrier, as defined in [section 513B.2](#), or a plan established pursuant to [chapter 509A](#) for public employees, that limits coverage for experimental medical treatment, drugs, or devices, shall develop and implement a procedure to evaluate experimental medical treatments and shall submit a description of the procedure to the division of insurance. The procedure shall be in writing and must describe the process used to determine whether the carrier or [chapter 509A](#) plan will provide coverage for new medical technologies and new uses of existing technologies. The procedure, at a minimum, shall require a review of information from appropriate government regulatory agencies and published scientific literature concerning new medical technologies, new uses of existing technologies, and the use of external experts in making decisions. A carrier or [chapter 509A](#) plan shall include appropriately licensed or qualified professionals in the evaluation process. The procedure shall provide a process for a person covered under a plan or contract to request a review of a denial of coverage because the proposed treatment is experimental. A review of a particular treatment need not be reviewed more than once a year.

2. A carrier or [chapter 509A](#) plan that limits coverage for experimental treatment, drugs, or devices shall clearly disclose such limitations in a contract, policy, or certificate of coverage. [99 Acts, ch 41, §6; 2017 Acts, ch 148, §91](#)

Section amended