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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing coverage under a policy or contract providing
2 for third-party payment or prepayment of health or medical
3 expenses for the costs associated with equipment, supplies,
4 and educational training for the treatment of diabetes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 514C.14 DIABETES COVERAGE.

2 1. a. Notwithstanding the uniformity of treatment
3 requirements of section 514C.6, a policy or contract providing
4 for third-party payment or prepayment of health or medical
5 expenses shall provide coverage benefits for the costs
6 associated with equipment, supplies, and outpatient self-
7 management training and education, including medical nutrition
8 therapy, for the treatment of insulin-dependent diabetes,
9 insulin-using diabetes, gestational diabetes, and non-insulin-
10 using diabetes if prescribed by a licensed health care
11 provider authorized to prescribe such items.

12 b. Diabetes outpatient self-management training and
13 education shall be provided by a licensed health care provider
14 with expertise in treating diabetes.

15 2. Benefits provided pursuant to this section shall be
16 subject to the same deductible or coinsurance requirements as
17 all other covered benefits under a policy or contract.

18 3. This section applies to the following classes of third-
19 party payment provider contracts or policies delivered, issued
20 for delivery, continued, or renewed in this state on or after
21 July 1, 1998:

22 a. Individual or group accident and sickness insurance
23 providing coverage on an expense-incurred basis.

24 b. An individual or group hospital or medical service
25 contract issued pursuant to chapter 509, 514, or 514A.

26 c. An individual or group health maintenance organization
27 contract regulated under chapter 514B.

28 d. An individual or group Medicare supplemental policy,
29 unless coverage pursuant to such policy is preempted by
30 federal law.

31 e. An organized delivery system licensed by the director
32 of public health.

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EXPLANATION

34 This bill provides that a third-party payor of health or
35 medical expenses shall provide coverage benefits to an insured

1 or enrollee for the costs associated with equipment, supplies,
2 and outpatient self-management training and education,
3 including medical nutrition therapy, for the treatment of
4 insulin-dependent diabetes, insulin-using diabetes,
5 gestational diabetes, and non-insulin-using diabetes if
6 prescribed by a licensed health care provider authorized to
7 prescribe such items.

8 This bill provides that the section applies to the third-
9 party payor contracts or policies delivered, issued for
10 delivery, continued, or renewed in this state on or after July
11 1, 1998, by an individual or group accident and sickness
12 insurance providing coverage on an expense-incurred basis; an
13 individual or group hospital or medical service contract
14 issued pursuant to chapter 509, 514, or 514A; an individual or
15 group health maintenance organization contract regulated under
16 chapter 514B; an individual or group Medicare supplemental
17 policy, unless coverage pursuant to such policy is preempted
18 by federal law; and an organized delivery system licensed by
19 the director of public health.

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