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Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 514C.23 ENTERAL FORMULAS ==
   2 COVERAGE.
          1. Except as provided in subsections 4 and 5, and
    \underline{4} notwithstanding the uniformity of treatment requirements of
   5 section 514C.6, a contract, policy, or plan providing for 6 third=party payment or prepayment of health or medical
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    7 expenses shall not exclude or restrict benefits for enteral
   8 formulas for home use for which a practitioner licensed by law
    9 to prescribe and administer prescription drugs has issued a
1 10 written order, if such contract, policy, or plan provides
1 11 benefits for other outpatient prescription drugs or devices.
1 12 Such written order must state that the enteral formula is
1 13 medically necessary for the patient.
1 14 2. For purposes of this section, "enteral formula" means 1 15 enteral formulas which have been proven effective for the
1 16 treatment of inborn errors of metabolism with a dietary
1 17 restriction, which if left untreated will cause
1 18 malnourishment, chronic physical disability, mental 1 19 retardation, or death. "Enteral formula" includes
                                     "Enteral formula" includes low=protein
1 20 medical food and metabolic formula prescribed for persons
1 21 diagnosed with inborn errors of metabolism with a dietary 1 22 restriction. The commissioner, by rule, shall further define
1 23 enteral formula.
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          3. a. This section applies to the following classes of
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1 25 third=party payment provider contracts, policies, or plans 1 26 delivered, issued for delivery, continued, or renewed in this
1 27 state on or after January 1, 2008:
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          (1) Individual or group accident and sickness insurance
1 29 providing coverage on an expense=incurred basis.
         (2) Any individual or group hospital or medical service
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  31 contract issued pursuant to chapter 509, 514, or 514A.
32 (3) Any individual or group health maintenance
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1 33 organization contract regulated under chapter 514B.
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         (4) A plan established pursuant to chapter 509A for public
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  35 employees.
         (5) An organized delivery system licensed by the director
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   2 of public health.
          b. This section shall not apply to accident=only,
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    4 specified disease, short=term hospital or medical, hospital
   5 confinement indemnity, credit, dental, vision, Medicare 6 supplement, long=term care, basic hospital and medical=
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    7 surgical expense coverage as defined by the commissioner,
   8 disability income insurance coverage, coverage issued as a 9 supplement to liability insurance, workers' compensation or
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2 10 similar insurance, or automobile medical payment insurance.
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         4. An individual or group contract, policy, or plan
2 12 subject to the requirements of this section shall not impose
  13 an annual deductible on enteral formula coverage benefits that
2 14 is greater than two thousand five hundred dollars per year for
2 15 each family covered and shall not impose an aggregate annual
2 16 limit for enteral formula coverage benefits that is less than 2 17 twelve thousand five hundred dollars per year for each family
2 18 covered.
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          5. An individual or group contract, policy, or plan
  20 subject to the requirements of this section shall provide, at
2 21 a minimum, enteral formula coverage benefits to each male
2 22 insured until that individual reaches the age of twenty=one
  23 years old or until that individual ceases to be enrolled as a 24 full=time student, as defined in section 261.102, whichever 25 occurs later, and shall provide, at a minimum, enteral formula
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  26 coverage benefits to each female insured until that individual
  27 reaches the age of forty=five years old.
28 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 514C.24 AUDIOLOGICAL SERVICES AND
  29 HEARING AIDS FOR CHILDREN == COVERAGE.
          1. Notwithstanding the uniformity of treatment
  31 requirements of section 514C.6, a contract, policy, or plan 32 providing for third=party payment or prepayment of health or
  33 medical expenses shall provide minimum coverage benefits for
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34 audiological services and hearing aids for children, including

2 35 but not limited to the following classes of third=party
3 1 payment provider contracts, policies, or plans delivered,
3 2 issued for delivery, continued, or renewed in this state on or

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

- c. An individual or group health maintenance organization 9 contract regulated under chapter 514B.
- d. An individual or group Medicare supplemental policy, 3 11 unless coverage pursuant to such policy is preempted by 3 12 federal law.
- e. A plan established pursuant to chapter 509A for public 3 14 employees.
- 2. This section shall not apply to accident=only, 3 16 specified disease, short=term hospital or medical, hospital 3 17 confinement indemnity, credit, dental, vision, long=term care, 3 18 basic hospital and medical=surgical expense coverage as 3 19 defined by the commissioner, disability income insurance 3 20 coverage, coverage issued as a supplement to liability 3 21 insurance, workers' compensation or similar insurance, or 3 22 automobile medical payment insurance.
- 3. As used in this section, "minimum coverage for 3 24 audiological services and hearing aids for children" means 3 25 coverage that includes at a minimum both of the following:
- Coverage for hearing aids that are prescribed, filled a. 27 and dispensed by a licensed audiologist for children up to 3 28 eighteen years of age.
- b. Coverage for an ear mold and a hearing aid for each 30 hearing=impaired ear payable every twenty=four months for 3 31 children up to eighteen years of age and coverage for up to 3 32 four additional ear molds per year for children up to three 33 years of age.
 - 4. The commissioner of insurance shall adopt rules 35 pursuant to chapter 17A as necessary to administer this 1 section.
 - 2 Sec. 3. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 3 VACCINATIONS == COVERAGE. 514C.25 HUMAN PAPILLOMA VIRUS
- 1. Notwithstanding the uniformity of treatment 5 requirements of section 514C.6, a contract, policy, or plan 6 providing for third=party payment or prepayment of health or 7 medical expenses that provides coverage benefits for any 8 vaccination or immunization shall provide coverage benefits 9 for vaccinations for the human papilloma virus, to each female 4 10 insured who is nine years of age or older until that 4 11 individual reaches twenty=six years of age, including but not 4 12 limited to the following classes of third-party payment 4 13 provider contracts, policies, or plans delivered, issued for 4 14 delivery, continued, or renewed in this state on or after
- 4 15 January 1, 2008: 4 16 a. Individual or group accident and sickness insurance 4 17 providing coverage on an expense=incurred basis.
- 4 18 b. An individual or group hospital or medical service 4 19 contract issued pursuant to chapter 509, 514, or 514A.
- c. An individual or group health maintenance organization 4 21 contract regulated under chapter 514B.
- 4 22 d. An individual or group Medicare supplemental policy, 4 23 unless coverage pursuant to such policy is preempted by 4 24 federal law.
- e. A plan established pursuant to chapter 509A for public 4 26 employees.
- This section shall not apply to accident only, 28 specified disease, short=term hospital or medical, hospital 4 29 confinement indemnity, credit, dental, vision, long=term care, 4 30 basic hospital and medical=surgical expense coverage as 4 31 defined by the commissioner, disability income insurance 4 32 coverage, coverage issued as a supplement to liability 4 33 insurance, workers' compensation or similar insurance, or 34 automobile medical payment insurance.
 - 3. As used in this section, "human papilloma virus" means the human papilloma virus as defined by the centers for 2 disease control and prevention of the United States department 3 of health and human services.
 - 4. The commissioner of insurance shall adopt rules 5 pursuant to chapter 17A as necessary to administer this 6 section.

EXPLANATION

This bill requires insurers offering certain individual or 9 group health insurance contracts, policies, or plans in the 10 state to provide coverage for certain enteral formulas, 11 audiological services and hearing aids for children, and 12 vaccinations for human papilloma virus.

The provisions of the bill are applicable to third=party

5 14 payment provider contracts, policies, or plans delivered, 5 15 issued for delivery, continued, or renewed in this state on or 5 16 after January 1, 2008.

The commissioner of insurance is required to adopt rules 5 18 under Code chapter 17A to administer the provisions of the 5 19 bill.

20 ENTERAL FORMULAS. New Code section 514C.23 requires 21 specified individual and group health insurance contracts, 5 22 policies, or plans that provide coverage for outpatient 23 prescription drugs or devices to also provide coverage for 24 certain enteral formulas that have been prescribed by a 5 25 licensed medical practitioner for the treatment of inborn 5 26 errors of metabolism with a dietary restriction which if left 27 untreated will cause malnourishment, chronic physical 28 disability, mental retardation, or death.

The bill prohibits imposition of an annual deductible on 30 enteral formula coverage benefits that exceeds \$2,500 per year 31 for each family covered or an aggregate annual limit for such 5 32 benefits that is less than \$12,500 per year for each family.

The bill requires that the benefits must be provided, at a 34 minimum, to each male insured until that individual reaches 21 35 years of age or ceases to be enrolled as a full=time student, 1 whichever occurs later, and to each female insured until that 2 individual reaches the age of 45.

AUDIOLOGICAL SERVICES AND HEARING AIDS FOR CHILDREN. New 4 Code section 514C.24 requires specified individual and group 5 health insurance contracts, policies, or plans that provide 6 coverage for third=party payment or prepayment of health or 7 medical expenses to provide minimum coverage for audiological 8 services and hearing aids for children.

6 9 The bill provides that "minimum coverage for audiological 6 10 services and hearing aids for children" must include, at a 6 11 minimum, coverage for hearing aids that are prescribed, 6 12 filled, and dispensed by a licensed audiologist for children 6 13 up to 18 years of age, coverage for an ear mold and a hearing 6 14 aid for each hearing-impaired ear payable every 24 months for 6 15 children up to 18 years of age, and coverage for up to four 16 additional ear molds per year for children up to three years 6 17 of age.

HUMAN PAPILLOMA VIRUS VACCINATIONS. New Code section 6 18 19 514C.25 requires specified individual and group health 20 insurance contracts, policies, or plans that provide coverage 6 21 of any vaccinations or immunizations to provide coverage of 22 vaccinations for the human papilloma virus to each female 23 insured who is nine years of age until that individual reaches 6 24 26 years of age.

The bill defines "human papilloma virus" to mean the human 6 25 26 papilloma virus as defined by the centers for disease control 27 and prevention of the United States department of health and 6 28 human services.

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