

Senate File 490 - Introduced

SENATE FILE 490
BY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN
RESOURCES

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 1189)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to tobacco cessation services under the
2 Medicaid program.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. TOBACCO CESSATION SERVICES — NICOTINE
2 REPLACEMENT THERAPY — MEDICAID PROGRAM.

3 1. Beginning July 1, 2019, the department of human
4 services shall, contractually and by administrative rules
5 adopted pursuant to chapter 17A, require under Medicaid
6 fee-for-service and Medicaid managed care administration that
7 a Medicaid member, who contacts the member's Medicaid managed
8 care organization's tobacco cessation program or Quitline
9 Iowa seeking tobacco cessation services utilizing nicotine
10 replacement therapy, shall be eligible to receive nicotine
11 replacement therapy without prior authorization, unless
12 otherwise provided under subsection 2. However, after two
13 failed attempts by the Medicaid member within a consecutive
14 eighteen-month period, any subsequent request for nicotine
15 replacement therapy by the Medicaid member shall be subject to
16 prior authorization.

17 2. If a Medicaid member is under eighteen years of age,
18 age-appropriate federal food and drug administration guidelines
19 shall be applicable and prior authorization shall be required
20 for approval of nicotine replacement therapy.

21 EXPLANATION

22 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
23 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

24 This bill requires the department of human services (DHS) to
25 contractually and by administrative rules adopted pursuant to
26 Code chapter 17A require, under Medicaid fee-for-service and
27 Medicaid managed care administration, that a Medicaid member,
28 who contacts the member's Medicaid managed care organization's
29 tobacco cessation program or Quitline Iowa seeking tobacco
30 cessation services utilizing nicotine replacement therapy,
31 shall be eligible to receive nicotine replacement therapy
32 without prior authorization, with some limitations, including
33 if the Medicaid member has had two failed attempts using the
34 nicotine replacement therapy or if the member is under 18 years
35 of age.