

**514C.14 Continuity of care — pregnancy.**

1. Except as provided under [subsection 2 or 3](#), a carrier, as defined in [section 513B.2](#), or a plan established pursuant to [chapter 509A](#) for public employees, that terminates its contract with a participating health care provider, shall continue to provide coverage under the contract to a covered person in the second or third trimester of pregnancy for continued care from such health care provider. Such persons may continue to receive such treatment or care through postpartum care related to the child birth and delivery. Payment for covered benefits and benefit levels shall be according to the terms and conditions of the contract.

2. A covered person who makes an involuntary change in health plans may request that the new health plan cover the services of the covered person's physician specialist who is not a participating health care provider under the new health plan, if the covered person is in the second or third trimester of pregnancy. Continuation of such coverage shall continue through postpartum care related to the child birth and delivery. Payment for covered benefits and benefit levels shall be according to the terms and conditions of the new health plan contract.

3. A carrier or a plan established under [chapter 509A](#), that terminates the contract of a participating health care provider for cause shall not be liable to pay for health care services provided by the health care provider to a covered person following the date of termination.

[99 Acts, ch 41, §1](#); [2017 Acts, ch 148, §67](#); [2018 Acts, ch 1026, §157](#)