

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL HB2613

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to insurance; amending Section 2, Chapter 153, O.S.L. 1999 (36 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 6060.11), which relates to benefits required for treatment of severe mental illness; updating statutory cites; requiring a certain amount of coverage for outpatient services; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 2, Chapter 153, O.S.L. 1999 (36 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 6060.11), is amended to read as follows:

Section 6060.11 A. Subject to the limitations set forth in this section and Sections ~~3~~ 6060.12 and ~~4~~ 6060.13 of this ~~act~~ title, any health benefit plan that is offered, issued, or renewed in this state on or after ~~the effective date of this act~~ January 1, 2000, shall provide benefits for treatment of severe mental illness.

B. The provisions of subsection A of this section shall pertain to all aspects of any health benefit plan that is offered, issued, or renewed in this state. Benefits required by subsection A of this section shall be equal to benefits for treatment of and shall be subject to the same preauthorization and utilization review mechanisms and other terms and conditions as all other physical diseases and disorders, including, but not limited to:

1. Coverage of inpatient hospital services for either twenty-six (26) days or the limit for other covered illnesses, whichever is greater;

2. Coverage of outpatient services for not less than five (5) hours per month or the limit for other covered illnesses, whichever is greater;

3. Coverage of medication;
4. Maximum lifetime benefits;
5. Co-payments;
6. Coverage of home health visits;
7. Individual and family deductibles; and
8. Co-insurance.

C. The provisions of subsection A of this section shall not apply to coverage provided by a health benefit plan for a small employer.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2000.

SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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