

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 1862

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5 AS INTRODUCED

6 An Act relating to insurance; amending 36 O.S. 2001,
7 Section 3634, which relates to accident and health
8 benefits coverage; adding types of services that may
be covered; and providing an effective date.

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

11 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2001, Section 3634, is
12 amended to read as follows:

13 Section 3634. Medical or surgical services or procedures
14 constituting the practice of podiatric medicine, as defined by
15 Section 142 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes, psychological
16 services or procedures constituting the practice of psychology, as
17 defined by Section 1352 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes, and
18 licensed and certified clinical social work services provided by
19 persons meeting the qualifications required under subsection B of
20 Section 1261.1 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes, licensed
21 marital and family therapy services constituting the practice of
22 marital and family therapy, as defined by Section 1925.2 of Title 59
23 of the Oklahoma Statutes, and licensed professional counseling
24 services constituting the practice of professional counseling, as

1 defined by Section 1902 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes and
2 covered by the terms of any individual, group, blanket or franchise
3 policy, agreement or service contract providing accident or health
4 benefits coverage in Oklahoma issued by any insurer, whether a stock
5 or mutual insurance company, a medical service corporation or
6 association, or any other type of issuer whatever, and covering an
7 Oklahoma risk may be performed by any practitioner licensed to do so
8 under Sections 136 through 160.2, Sections 1351 through 1376 ~~or~~,
9 subsection B of Section 1261.1, Sections 1925.1 through 1925.18 or
10 Sections 1901 through 1920 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes, who
11 is selected by the insured provided that where covered benefits are
12 offered through a contracting preferred provider organization, the
13 podiatrist, psychologist, ~~or~~ clinical social worker, marital and
14 family therapist, or professional counselor is a contracting
15 provider. Except in the case of a contracting preferred provider
16 organization, any provision, exclusion or limitation in such a
17 policy denying an insured the free choice of such licensed podiatric
18 physician, psychologist ~~or~~, certified clinical social worker,
19 marital and family therapist, or professional counselor shall, to
20 the extent of the denial, be void, but such voidance shall not
21 affect the validity of the other provisions of the policy.

22 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2008.

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