

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 1024

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to insurance; amending 36 O.S. 2001,
8 Section 6060.8a, which relates to colorectal cancer
9 coverage; requiring health benefit plans to provide
10 coverage for certain screenings and services for
11 colorectal cancer to certain individuals; requiring
12 reimbursement to be at certain rate; modifying
13 definition; and providing an effective date.

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

15 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2001, Section 6060.8a, is
16 amended to read as follows:

17 Section 6060.8a A. Any health benefit plan, including the
18 State and Education Employees Group Health Insurance Plan, that is
19 offered, issued or renewed in this state on or after January 1, ~~2002~~
20 2010, which provides medical and surgical benefits, shall ~~offer~~
21 provide coverage for colorectal cancer examinations and laboratory
22 tests for cancer evidence-based and cost-efficient preventive
23 screenings and services for colorectal cancer for any nonsymptomatic
24 covered individual, in accordance with the American Cancer Society's

1 standard, accepted published medical practice guidelines for
2 colorectal cancer screening, who is:

- 3 1. At least fifty (50) years of age; or
- 4 2. Less than fifty (50) years of age and at high risk for
5 colorectal cancer according to the standard, accepted published
6 medical practice guidelines.

7 B. The coverage provided for by this section shall be subject
8 to the same annual deductibles, co-payments or coinsurance limits as
9 established for other covered benefits under the health plan.

10 C. To minimize costs for nonsymptomatic screening, third-party
11 reimbursement ~~may~~ shall be at the existing Medicare or Medicaid
12 rate, whichever is greater, which shall be payment in full.

13 D. As used in this section, "health benefit plan" means any
14 plan or arrangement as defined in subsection D of Section 6060.8 of
15 ~~Title 36 of the Oklahoma Statutes; provided, however, the provisions~~
16 ~~of this section shall not apply to policies or certificates issued~~
17 ~~to individuals or to groups with fifty (50) or fewer employees, or~~
18 ~~to plans offered under the state Medicaid program~~ this title.

19 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2009.

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