

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL 1819

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to health insurance benefits;
providing coverage and benefits for prescription
eyedrops under certain conditions; defining term;
providing for codification; and providing an
effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 6060.9d of Title 36, unless
there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Any health benefit plan issued or renewed on or after
November 1, 2017, that provides coverage for prescription eyedrops
shall not deny coverage for a refill of a prescription if:

1. For a thirty-day supply, the amount of time has passed after
which a patient should have used seventy percent (70%) of the dosage
units of the drug according to a practitioner's instructions, or
twenty-one (21) days from:

a. the original date the prescription was distributed to
the insured, or

1 b. the date the most recent refill was distributed to the
2 insured;

3 2. The prescribing practitioner indicates on the original
4 prescription that additional quantities are needed;

5 3. The refill requested by the insured does not exceed the
6 number of additional quantities needed; and

7 4. The prescription eyedrops prescribed by the practitioner are
8 a covered benefit under the policy or contract to the insured.

9 B. As used in this section, "health benefit plan" means any
10 plan or arrangement as defined in subsection C of Section 6060.4 of
11 Title 36 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

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