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HOUSE BILL

53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2017

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FOR THE LEGISLATIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH COVERAGE; ENACTING SECTIONS OF THE HEALTH CARE PURCHASING ACT, THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ACT, THE NEW MEXICO INSURANCE CODE, THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION LAW AND THE NONPROFIT HEALTH CARE PLAN LAW TO REQUIRE COVERAGE OF ARTERY CALCIFICATION SCREENING FOR EARLY DETECTION OF CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE IN CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of the Health Care Purchasing Act is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] ARTERY CALCIFICATION SCREENING COVERAGE.--

A. Group health coverage, including any form of self-insurance, offered, issued or renewed under the Health Care Purchasing Act shall provide coverage for eligible enrollees to receive artery calcification screening.

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1           B. Coverage provided pursuant to this section  
2 shall:

3                   (1) be limited to the provision of an artery  
4 calcification screening to an eligible enrollee once every five  
5 years; and

6                   (2) not be subject to a deductible.

7           C. The provisions of this section shall not apply  
8 to short-term travel, accident-only or limited or specified-  
9 disease policies, plans or certificates of health insurance.

10          D. As used in this section:

11                   (1) "artery calcification screening" means a  
12 computed tomography scan measuring coronary artery  
13 calcification for atherosclerosis and abnormal artery structure  
14 and function; and

15                   (2) "eligible enrollee" means an enrollee:

16                           (a) who is: 1) a male older than thirty  
17 years of age and younger than seventy-six years of age; or 2)  
18 a female older than forty years of age and younger than  
19 seventy-six years of age; and

20                           (b) who has a risk of developing  
21 coronary heart disease based on at least one of the following:  
22 hypertension, hyperlipidemia, diabetes, smoking or family  
23 history of heart disease."

24          SECTION 2. A new section of the Public Assistance Act is  
25 enacted to read:

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1           "[NEW MATERIAL] ARTERY CALCIFICATION SCREENING COVERAGE.--

2           A. By January 1, 2018 and in accordance with  
3 federal law, the secretary shall adopt and promulgate rules  
4 that provide medicaid coverage for eligible recipients to  
5 receive artery calcification screening.

6           B. Medicaid coverage provided pursuant to this  
7 section shall be limited to the provision of an artery  
8 calcification screening to an eligible recipient once every  
9 five years.

10          C. As used in this section:

11                 (1) "artery calcification screening" means a  
12 computed tomography scan measuring coronary artery  
13 calcification for atherosclerosis and abnormal artery structure  
14 and function; and

15                 (2) "eligible recipient" means a recipient:

16                         (a) who is: 1) a male older than thirty  
17 years of age and younger than seventy-six years of age; or 2)  
18 a female older than forty years of age and younger than  
19 seventy-six years of age; and

20                         (b) who has a risk of developing  
21 coronary heart disease based on at least one of the following:  
22 hypertension, hyperlipidemia, diabetes, smoking or family  
23 history of heart disease."

24           SECTION 3. A new section of Chapter 59A, Article 22 NMSA  
25 1978 is enacted to read:

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1           "[NEW MATERIAL] ARTERY CALCIFICATION SCREENING COVERAGE.--

2           A. An individual or group health insurance policy,  
3 health care plan and certificate of health insurance delivered  
4 or issued for delivery in this state shall provide coverage for  
5 eligible insureds to receive artery calcification screening.

6           B. Coverage provided pursuant to this section  
7 shall:

8                   (1) be limited to the provision of an artery  
9 calcification screening to an eligible insured once every five  
10 years; and

11                   (2) not be subject to a deductible.

12           C. The provisions of this section do not apply to  
13 short-term travel, accident-only or limited or specified-  
14 disease policies, plans or certificates of health insurance.

15           D. As used in this section:

16                   (1) "artery calcification screening" means a  
17 computed tomography scan measuring coronary artery  
18 calcification for atherosclerosis and abnormal artery structure  
19 and function; and

20                   (2) "eligible insured" means an insured:

21                           (a) who is: 1) a male older than thirty  
22 years of age and younger than seventy-six years of age; or 2)  
23 a female older than forty years of age and younger than  
24 seventy-six years of age; and

25                           (b) who has a risk of developing

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1 coronary heart disease based on at least one of the following:  
2 hypertension, hyperlipidemia, diabetes, smoking or family  
3 history of heart disease."

4 SECTION 4. A new section of Chapter 59A, Article 23 NMSA  
5 1978 is enacted to read:

6 "[NEW MATERIAL] ARTERY CALCIFICATION SCREENING COVERAGE.--

7 A. A group or blanket health insurance policy,  
8 health care plan or certificate of health insurance that is  
9 delivered, issued for delivery or renewed in this state shall  
10 provide coverage for eligible insureds to receive artery  
11 calcification screening.

12 B. Coverage provided pursuant to this section  
13 shall:

14 (1) be limited to the provision of an artery  
15 calcification screening to an eligible insured once every five  
16 years; and

17 (2) not be subject to a deductible.

18 C. The provisions of this section do not apply to  
19 short-term travel, accident-only or limited or specified-  
20 disease policies, plans or certificates of health insurance.

21 D. As used in this section:

22 (1) "artery calcification screening" means a  
23 computed tomography scan measuring coronary artery  
24 calcification for atherosclerosis and abnormal artery structure  
25 and function; and

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1 (2) "eligible insured" means an insured:  
2 (a) who is: 1) a male older than thirty  
3 years of age and younger than seventy-six years of age; or 2)  
4 a female older than forty years of age and younger than  
5 seventy-six years of age; and  
6 (b) who has a risk of developing  
7 coronary heart disease based on at least one of the following:  
8 hypertension, hyperlipidemia, diabetes, smoking or family  
9 history of heart disease."

10 SECTION 5. A new section of the Health Maintenance  
11 Organization Law is enacted to read:

12 "[NEW MATERIAL] ARTERY CALCIFICATION SCREENING COVERAGE.--

13 A. An individual or group health maintenance  
14 organization contract that is delivered, issued for delivery or  
15 renewed in this state shall provide coverage for eligible  
16 enrollees to receive artery calcification screening.

17 B. Coverage provided pursuant to this section  
18 shall:

19 (1) be limited to the provision of an artery  
20 calcification screening to an eligible enrollee once every five  
21 years; and

22 (2) not be subject to a deductible.

23 C. The provisions of this section do not apply to  
24 short-term travel, accident-only or limited or specified-  
25 disease policies, plans or certificates of health insurance.

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1 D. As used in this section:

2 (1) "artery calcification screening" means a  
3 computed tomography scan measuring coronary artery  
4 calcification for atherosclerosis and abnormal artery structure  
5 and function; and

6 (2) "eligible enrollee" means an enrollee:

7 (a) who is: 1) a male older than thirty  
8 years of age and younger than seventy-six years of age; or 2)  
9 a female older than forty years of age and younger than  
10 seventy-six years of age; and

11 (b) who has a risk of developing  
12 coronary heart disease based on at least one of the following:  
13 hypertension, hyperlipidemia, diabetes, smoking or family  
14 history of heart disease."

15 SECTION 6. A new section of the Nonprofit Health Care  
16 Plan Law is enacted to read:

17 "[NEW MATERIAL] ARTERY CALCIFICATION SCREENING COVERAGE.--

18 A. An individual or group health care plan that is  
19 delivered, issued for delivery or renewed in this state shall  
20 provide coverage for eligible subscribers to receive artery  
21 calcification screening.

22 B. Coverage provided pursuant to this section  
23 shall:

24 (1) be limited to the provision of an artery  
25 calcification screening to an eligible subscriber once every

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1 five years; and

2 (2) not be subject to a deductible.

3 C. The provisions of this section do not apply to  
4 short-term travel, accident-only or limited or specified-  
5 disease policies, plans or certificates of health insurance.

6 D. As used in this section:

7 (1) "artery calcification screening" means a  
8 computed tomography scan measuring coronary artery  
9 calcification for atherosclerosis and abnormal artery structure  
10 and function; and

11 (2) "eligible subscriber" means a subscriber:

12 (a) who is: 1) a male older than thirty  
13 years of age and younger than seventy-six years of age; or 2)  
14 a female older than forty years of age and younger than  
15 seventy-six years of age; and

16 (b) who has a risk of developing  
17 coronary heart disease based on at least one of the following:  
18 hypertension, hyperlipidemia, diabetes, smoking or family  
19 history of heart disease."