

~~(H) EACH MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS, AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.~~

~~(I) THE COMMISSION MAY EMPLOY A STAFF IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATE BUDGET.~~

~~(K) THE STATE HAS NO PECUNIARY LIABILITY FOR ANY ACT PERFORMED OR REQUIRED OR PERMITTED TO BE PERFORMED BY THE COMMISSION.~~

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~~(A) (1) THE COMMISSION SHALL SPECIFY THE UNIFORM SET OF EFFECTIVE BENEFITS TO APPLY UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.~~

~~(2) IN ESTABLISHING BENEFITS, THE COMMISSION SHALL JUDGE PREVENTIVE SERVICES, MEDICAL TREATMENTS, PROCEDURES, AND RELATED HEALTH SERVICES BASED ON:~~

~~(1) THEIR EFFECTIVENESS IN IMPROVING THE HEALTH STATUS OF INDIVIDUALS; AND~~

~~(H) THEIR LONG TERM IMPACT ON MAINTAINING AND IMPROVING HEALTH AND PRODUCTIVITY AND ON REDUCING THE CONSUMPTION OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES.~~

~~(3) THE COMMISSION MAY EXCLUDE ANY BENEFIT MANDATED UNDER ARTICLE 48A OF THE CODE.~~

~~(B) A HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN SHALL INCLUDE UNIFORM DEDUCTIBLES AND COST SHARING ASSOCIATED WITH ITS BENEFITS, AS DETERMINED BY THE COMMISSION.~~

~~(C) IN ESTABLISHING COST SHARING AS PART OF THE UNIFORM EFFECTIVE BENEFITS, THE COMMISSION SHALL:~~

~~(1) INCLUDE COST SHARING THAT WILL RESTRAIN CONSUMERS FROM SEEKING UNNECESSARY SERVICES;~~

~~(2) BALANCE THE EFFECT OF THE COST SHARING IN REDUCING PREMIUMS AND IN AFFECTING UTILIZATION OF APPROPRIATE SERVICES; AND~~

~~(3) LIMIT THE TOTAL COST SHARING THAT MAY BE INCURRED BY AN INDIVIDUAL IN A YEAR.~~

~~(D) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (3) OR (4) OF THIS SUBSECTION, CARRIERS MAY LIMIT COVERAGE UNDER ANY HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN UNDER A PREEXISTING CONDITION PROVISION, BUT ONLY FOR A PERIOD NOT EXCEEDING 6 MONTHS FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF COVERAGE FOR ANY ENROLLEE, FOR ANY PREEXISTING CONDITION THAT EXISTED WITHIN THE 6 MONTHS PRECEDING THE DATE OF COVERAGE FOR THE ENROLLEE UNDER THE PROGRAM.~~