

(I) DESCRIBES ANY WAITING PERIODS FOR PREEXISTING CONDITIONS, EXCLUSIONS, OR SIMILAR POLICY PROVISIONS IN THE SUCCEEDING POLICY THAT LIMIT OR EXCLUDE COVERAGE; AND

(II) IDENTIFIES EACH INDIVIDUAL WHO IS COVERED UNDER THE REPLACED OR SUCCEDED GROUP CONTRACT BUT WHO IS INELIGIBLE FOR FULL COVERAGE UNDER THE SUCCEEDING POLICY.

(2) THE STATEMENT REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION MUST BE SUFFICIENTLY CLEAR AND SPECIFIC SO THAT AN INDIVIDUAL OF AVERAGE INTELLIGENCE CAN UNDERSTAND THE STATEMENT WITHOUT MAKING FURTHER INQUIRY TO THE SUCCEEDING INSURER.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 48A, § 490N.

In subsection (b)(2) of this section, the reference to an "individual" of average intelligence is substituted for the former reference to a "person" because individuals have intelligence.

Defined terms: "Health insurance" § 1-101

"Insurer" § 1-101

"Policy" § 1-101

SUBTITLE 5. PROHIBITED DENIALS, EXCLUSIONS, AND REDUCTIONS OF COVERAGE.

15-501. INCREASED SOCIAL SECURITY PAYMENTS.

AN INDIVIDUAL, GROUP, OR BLANKET HEALTH INSURANCE CONTRACT MAY NOT CONTAIN A PROVISION THAT REDUCES PAYMENTS TO AN INDIVIDUAL ENTITLED TO RECEIVE DISABILITY PAYMENTS UNDER THE CONTRACT BECAUSE THE INDIVIDUAL RECEIVES AN INCREASE IN SOCIAL SECURITY PAYMENTS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 48A, §§ 470F and 477G.

The reference to an "individual" health insurance contract is added to clarify the applicability of this section.

The reference to disability payments "under the contract" is added for clarity.

The prohibition that a health insurance contract may not "contain a provision that reduces" payments is substituted for the former prohibition that a health insurance contract may not "reduce" payments for accuracy and clarity.

The reference to an "individual" entitled to receive disability payments is substituted for the former references to a "person" since only an individual would be entitled to receive payments for a disability.

The former reference to a health insurance "disability" contract is deleted as unnecessary in light of the reference to "disability payments under the contract".