

(B) IF A MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT POLICY OR CERTIFICATE REPLACES ANOTHER MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT POLICY OR CERTIFICATE, THE REPLACING INSURER SHALL WAIVE ANY TIME PERIODS APPLICABLE TO PREEXISTING CONDITIONS, WAITING PERIODS, ELIMINATION PERIODS, AND PROBATIONARY PERIODS IN THE NEW MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT POLICY OR CERTIFICATE FOR SIMILAR BENEFITS TO THE EXTENT SUCH TIME WAS SPENT UNDER THE ORIGINAL POLICY OR CERTIFICATE.

(C) (1) UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY THE COMMISSIONER, AN INSURER MAY NOT CANCEL OR NONRENEW A MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT POLICY OR CERTIFICATE FOR ANY REASON OTHER THAN FOR NONPAYMENT OF PREMIUM OR MATERIAL MISREPRESENTATION.

(2) (I) IF A GROUP MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT INSURANCE POLICY IS TERMINATED BY THE GROUP POLICYHOLDER AND IS NOT REPLACED UNDER PARAGRAPH (4) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE INSURER SHALL OFFER CERTIFICATE HOLDERS AN INDIVIDUAL MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT POLICY.

(II) THE INSURER SHALL OFFER THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER AT LEAST THE FOLLOWING CHOICES:

1. AN INDIVIDUAL MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT POLICY THAT PROVIDES FOR CONTINUATION OF THE BENEFITS CONTAINED IN THE GROUP POLICY; OR

2. AN INDIVIDUAL MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT POLICY THAT PROVIDES ONLY THE BENEFITS THAT ARE REQUIRED TO MEET THE MINIMUM STANDARDS.

(3) IF MEMBERSHIP IN A GROUP IS TERMINATED, THE INSURER SHALL:

(I) OFFER THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER THE CONVERSION OPPORTUNITIES SET OUT UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION; OR

(II) AT THE OPTION OF THE GROUP POLICYHOLDER, OFFER THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER CONTINUATION OF COVERAGE UNDER THE GROUP POLICY.

(4) IF A GROUP MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT POLICY IS REPLACED BY ANOTHER GROUP MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT POLICY PURCHASED BY THE SAME POLICYHOLDER, THE SUCCEEDING INSURER SHALL OFFER COVERAGE TO ALL PERSONS COVERED UNDER THE OLD GROUP POLICY ON ITS DATE OF TERMINATION. COVERAGE UNDER THE NEW GROUP POLICY SHALL NOT RESULT IN ANY EXCLUSION FOR PREEXISTING CONDITIONS THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN COVERED UNDER THE GROUP POLICY BEING REPLACED.