

**CHAPTER 333**  
**(Senate Bill 779)**

AN ACT concerning

**Health Insurance - ~~Annual~~ Human Papillomavirus Screening Test - Coverage**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for ~~an annual~~ a human papillomavirus screening test for certain persons under certain circumstances at the testing intervals outlined in certain recommendations developed by the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists; authorizing certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to impose certain cost-sharing requirements under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for ~~an annual~~ a human papillomavirus screening test under certain circumstances.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Insurance

Section 15-829

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2002 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article - Insurance**

15-829.

(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

(2) "Chlamydia screening test" means any laboratory test that:

(i) specifically detects for infection by one or more agents of chlamydia trachomatis; and

(ii) is approved for this purpose by the federal Food and Drug Administration.

(3) "HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS SCREENING TEST" MEANS ANY LABORATORY TEST THAT:

(I) SPECIFICALLY DETECTS FOR INFECTION BY ONE OR MORE AGENTS OF THE HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS; AND

(II) IS APPROVED FOR THIS PURPOSE BY THE FEDERAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION.