

(2) 30 days care [ in a Type C or D facility for the treatment of alcoholism] FOR THE TREATMENT OF DRUG ABUSE, ALCOHOL ABUSE, OR ALCOHOLISM, IN AN ALCOHOL OR DRUG ABUSE FACILITY licensed by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Division of Licensing and Enforcement and certified by that Department's Alcoholism Control Administration; and

(3) 30 outpatient visits at a certified alcoholism OR DRUG ABUSE treatment facility. The benefit for outpatient visits may be limited to not less than \$1,000--\$3,000 during any calendar year or benefit period UNLESS GREATER BENEFITS ARE PROVIDED BY THE CONTRACT, THE BENEFITS FOR OUTPATIENT VISITS DURING ANY CALENDAR YEAR OR BENEFIT PERIOD SHALL BE EQUAL TO 100 PERCENT OF THE COST OF CARE OR \$3,000, WHICHEVER IS LESS.

(b) Any group major medical contract, policy or certificate, including one issued by a nonprofit health service plan, that provides benefits for both hospitalization and medical care shall provide benefits equal to at least half those required by subsection (a) of this section.

(c) Under subsection (a) of this section, the total number of days and visits combined may be limited to 120 during the covered person's lifetime. [The maximum benefit under subsection (b) of this section in the aggregate during any calendar year or benefit period may be limited to not less than \$1,000] UNLESS GREATER BENEFITS ARE PROVIDED BY THE CONTRACT, THE BENEFITS UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION DURING ANY CALENDAR YEAR OR BENEFIT PERIOD SHALL BE EQUAL TO 100 PERCENT OF THE COST REQUIRED TO BE PAID UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OR \$3,000, WHICHEVER IS LESS.

(D) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "DRUG ABUSE" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 9-101 OF THE HEALTH - GENERAL ARTICLE.

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9-101.

(e) (1) "Drug abuse" means:

- (i) Misuse or unlawful use of a drug;
- (ii) Drug dependence; or
- (iii) Drug addiction.

(2) "Drug abuse" does not include taking a drug according to a lawful prescription that is issued, in the course of professional treatment, for a legitimate medical purpose.