

THE HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFITS AND ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES THAT ARE APPLICABLE TO ANY COVERED DEPENDENT SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE, AT THE REQUEST OF THE EMPLOYEE OR MEMBER, TO ANY GRANDCHILD WHO:

- (1) IS UNMARRIED;
- (2) IS IN THE LEGAL COURT-ORDERED CUSTODY OF AND RESIDING WITH THE EMPLOYEE OR MEMBER; ~~AND~~
- (3) IS THE DEPENDENT OF THE INSURED OR SUBSCRIBER; AND
- (4) HAS NOT ATTAINED THE LIMITING AGE UNDER THE TERMS OF THE POLICY.

(C) FOR THE PURPOSE OF COVERAGE UNDER THIS SECTION, ANY INSURER THAT ISSUES AN INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE POLICY THAT PROVIDES COVERAGE ON AN EXPENSE INCURRED BASIS OR ANY NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN SHALL OFFER, UPON REQUEST, TO ANY INSURED OR SUBSCRIBER, REGARDLESS OF MARITAL STATUS, FAMILY MEMBERS' COVERAGE.

~~(D) EVERY INSURER OR NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN THAT ISSUES A POLICY THAT PROVIDES COVERAGE OTHER THAN FAMILY MEMBERS' COVERAGE SHALL PROVIDE TO THE POLICYHOLDER A NOTICE THAT COVERAGE FOR GRANDCHILDREN IS NOT PROVIDED UNDER THE POLICY AND SHALL INFORM THE POLICYHOLDER OF THE RIGHT AND CONDITIONS TO PURCHASE FAMILY MEMBER COVERAGE AS PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION.~~

~~(E)~~ (1) AN INSURER OR NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN UNDER THIS SECTION MAY:

~~(I)~~ REQUIRE PROOF THAT THE INSURED OR SUBSCRIBER IS THE GRANDPARENT OF A GRANDCHILD; ~~AND~~

~~(II) PERMIT COVERAGE OF AN INSURED'S OR SUBSCRIBER'S DEPENDENT CHILD, REGARDLESS OF MARITAL STATUS, OR A MINOR CHILD OF THE DEPENDENT CHILD.~~

(2) THE INSURER OR NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN SHALL PAY THE COST OF PROVIDING THE PROOF REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.

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(H) THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 48A, §§ 354, 438A, AND 490R OF THE CODE SHALL APPLY TO HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That all insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations that have delivered before October 1, 1993 a policy or contract that includes coverage for family members or dependents shall send written notice to each policyholder by October 1, 1993 of the right and conditions to purchase coverage for grandchildren as provided in this Act.