

Article 48A - Insurance Code

490W.

ANY INSURER OR NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN THAT PROVIDES HOSPITAL, MEDICAL, OR SURGICAL BENEFITS FOR ISSUANCE OR DELIVERY IN THE STATE TO ANY GROUP OR INDIVIDUAL ON AN EXPENSE-INCURRED BASIS, INCLUDING A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION, SHALL:

(1) CLASSIFY AN OBSTETRICIAN/GYNECOLOGIST AS A PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN; OR

(2) PERMIT A WOMAN TO RECEIVE AN ANNUAL VISIT TO AN IN-NETWORK OBSTETRICIAN/GYNECOLOGIST FOR ROUTINE GYNECOLOGICAL CARE WITHOUT REQUIRING THE WOMAN TO FIRST VISIT A PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER.

Article - Health - General

19-706.

~~(K) THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 48A, § 490W OF THE CODE SHALL APPLY TO HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS.~~

(K) A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION SHALL:

(1) CLASSIFY AN OBSTETRICIAN/GYNECOLOGIST AS A PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN; OR

(2) PERMIT A WOMAN TO RECEIVE AN ANNUAL VISIT TO AN IN-NETWORK OBSTETRICIAN/GYNECOLOGIST FOR ROUTINE GYNECOLOGICAL CARE WITHOUT REQUIRING THE WOMAN TO FIRST VISIT A PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER.

Article - Health - Occupations

~~14-509.~~

~~FOR PURPOSES OF ARTICLE 48A, § 490W OF THE CODE AND § 19-706(K) OF THE HEALTH - GENERAL ARTICLE, THE BOARD SHALL PERMIT A PHYSICIAN WHO IS A SPECIALIST IN THE MEDICAL FIELD OF OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY TO BE CLASSIFIED AS A PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1994.

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