

~~(2) TO BE COVERED UNDER THE HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN OFFERED BY A CARRIER, A GROUP OR INDIVIDUAL SHALL:~~

~~(I) ELECT TO BE COVERED UNDER THE PLAN;~~

~~(II) AGREE TO MAKE THE REQUIRED PREMIUM PAYMENTS; AND~~

~~(III) SATISFY THE OTHER REASONABLE PROVISIONS OF THE PLAN AS APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONER.~~

~~(3) ANY REQUIREMENT USED BY A CARRIER IN DETERMINING WHETHER TO PROVIDE COVERAGE TO A GROUP, INCLUDING REQUIREMENTS FOR MINIMUM PARTICIPATION OF THE GROUP, SHALL BE APPLIED UNIFORMLY AMONG ALL GROUPS WITH THE SAME NUMBER OF MEMBERS APPLYING FOR COVERAGE OR RECEIVING COVERAGE FROM THE CARRIER.~~

~~(4) (I) A CARRIER MAY NOT APPLY MINIMUM PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS TO HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS OFFERED THROUGH THE REGIONAL HEALTH COOPERATIVE.~~

~~(II) OUTSIDE A REGIONAL HEALTH COOPERATIVE A CARRIER MAY ONLY VARY APPLICATION OF MINIMUM PARTICIPATION OF GROUP MEMBERS BY THE SIZE OF THE GROUP.~~

~~(5) A CARRIER MAY NOT REQUIRE MINIMUM EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS.~~

~~(6) ANY SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE SAME REQUIREMENTS AS THE COMPREHENSIVE STANDARD HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN CONCERNING:~~

~~(I) GUARANTEED ISSUANCE;~~

~~(II) GUARANTEED RENEWAL;~~

~~(III) ADJUSTED COMMUNITY RATING;~~

~~(IV) THE PROHIBITION ON PREEXISTING CONDITION LIMITATIONS;~~

AND

~~(V) ANY OTHER PROVISIONS THE COMMISSIONER DETERMINES ARE NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBTITLE.~~

~~(B) (1) A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION THAT IS A PARTICIPATING CARRIER SHALL OFFER HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS TO ENROLLEES THROUGHOUT A REGIONAL AREA UNLESS GRANTED A SPECIFIC EXCEPTION BY THE COMMISSIONER IN CONSULTATION WITH THE REGIONAL HEALTH COOPERATIVE.~~

~~(2) IF THE PARTICIPATING CARRIER PROVIDES SERVICE OR COVERAGE IN ANY PORTION OF A COUNTY WITHIN A REGIONAL AREA, IT SHALL PROVIDE SERVICE OR COVERAGE IN THAT ENTIRE COUNTY.~~

~~(3) A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION SHALL OFFER HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS TO ENROLLEES THROUGHOUT ITS ENTIRE SERVICE AREA.~~