

~~(E) AN INSURER ISSUING AN INSURANCE POLICY THAT IS WRITTEN ON AN EXPENSE INCURRED BASIS AND A GROUP OR BLANKET HEALTH INSURER THAT DOES NOT REQUIRE OR ENCOURAGE THE INSURED TO UTILIZE ANY PARTICULAR HEALTH CARE PROVIDER OR GROUP OF HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS THAT HAVE ENTERED INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE INSURER TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE INSURER'S INSURED NEED NOT IS NOT REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION.~~

~~(E)~~ (F) (1) A group or blanket health insurance policy may not impose a deductible on the coverage required under this section.

(2) Notice of the prohibition established under paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be stated in each health insurance policy and certificate in a form approved by the Commissioner.

Article - Health - General

19-1305.4.

(A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE CRITERIA AND STANDARDS USED BY A PRIVATE REVIEW AGENT OR HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION IN PERFORMING UTILIZATION REVIEW OF HOSPITAL SERVICES RELATED TO MATERNITY AND NEWBORN CARE, INCLUDING LENGTH OF STAY, SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MEDICAL CRITERIA OUTLINED IN THE MOST CURRENT VERSION OF THE "GUIDELINES FOR PERINATAL CARE" PREPARED BY THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF PEDIATRICS AND THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNECOLOGISTS.

(B) A PRIVATE REVIEW AGENT OR HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION MAY AUTHORIZE A SHORTER LENGTH OF HOSPITAL STAY FOR SERVICES RELATED TO MATERNITY AND NEWBORN CARE ~~IF PROVIDED THE NEWBORN MEETS THE CRITERIA FOR MEDICAL STABILITY IN THE "GUIDELINES FOR PERINATAL CARE" AND THE PRIVATE REVIEW AGENT AUTHORIZES A SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF POSTPARTUM HOME VISITS FOR THE MOTHER AND CHILD OR HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION AUTHORIZES FOR THE MOTHER AND CHILD AN INITIAL POSTPARTUM HOME VISIT WHICH WOULD INCLUDE THE COLLECTION OF AN ADEQUATE SAMPLE FOR THE HEREDITARY AND METABOLIC NEWBORN SCREENING, WHEN INDICATED.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1995.

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