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- (2) Promote child development.
- (b) The provisions of this section apply to a hospital or major medical insurance policy that:
  - (1) Is written on an expense incurred basis;
  - (2) Provides coverage for a family member of the insured; and
  - (3) Is delivered or issued for delivery in the State.
- (c) (1) A hospital or major medical insurance policy shall include under the family member coverage a minimum package of child wellness services that are consistent with:
  - (i) Public health policy;
  - (ii) Professional standards; and
  - (iii) Scientific evidence of effectiveness.
- (2) A child wellness services package required under this subsection shall cover at least:
- (i) All visits for and costs of childhood and adolescent immunizations recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control;
- (ii) Visits for the collection of adequate samples for hereditary and metabolic newborn screening and follow-up between birth and 4 weeks of age, the first of which is to be collected before 2 weeks of age;
- (iii) All visits for and costs of age-appropriate screening tests for tuberculosis, anemia, lead toxicity, hearing, and vision as determined by the American Academy of Pediatrics;
- (iv) The following services at each of the visits required under subparagraphs (i), (ii), and (iii) of this paragraph:
  - 1. A physical examination;
  - 2. A developmental assessment; and
  - 3. Parental anticipatory guidance; and
- (v) Laboratory tests considered necessary by the physician as indicated by the services provided under subparagraphs (i), (ii), (iii), or (iv) of this paragraph.
- (d) <u>EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION</u> (E) OF THIS SECTION, A HOSPITAL OR MAJOR INSURANCE POLICY <u>UPON NOTIFICATION OF THE PREGNANCY OF THE INSURED</u>, SHALL:
- (1) ENCOURAGE <u>AND ASSIST</u> THE INSURED, PRIOR TO THE DELIVERY DATE, TO SELECT AND CONTACT A PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER FOR THE EXPECTED NEWBORN; NEWBORN PRIOR TO DELIVERY; AND