

The former references to a "duly" licensed podiatrist are deleted as implicit in the concept of licensure.

Defined terms: "Health insurance" § 1-101

"Person" § 1-101

"Policy" § 1-101

15-714. PSYCHOLOGISTS.

(A) SCOPE OF SECTION.

THIS SECTION APPLIES TO EACH INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE POLICY, CONTRACT, OR CERTIFICATE THAT:

(1) (I) IS ISSUED OR DELIVERED IN THE STATE;

(II) IS ISSUED TO A GROUP THAT IS INCORPORATED OR HAS A MAIN OFFICE IN THE STATE; OR

(III) COVERS INDIVIDUALS WHO RESIDE OR WORK IN THE STATE;

AND

(2) IS ISSUED, RENEWED, AMENDED, OR REISSUED ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 1972.

(B) REIMBURSEMENT FOR SERVICES.

NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF A POLICY, CONTRACT, OR CERTIFICATE SUBJECT TO THIS SECTION, IF THE POLICY, CONTRACT, OR CERTIFICATE PROVIDES FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR A SERVICE THAT IS WITHIN THE LAWFUL SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF A LICENSED PSYCHOLOGIST, THE INSURED OR ANY OTHER PERSON COVERED BY THE POLICY, CONTRACT, OR CERTIFICATE IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE SERVICE REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE SERVICE IS PERFORMED BY A PHYSICIAN OR LICENSED PSYCHOLOGIST.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 48A, § 490A.

In the introductory language of subsection (a) of this section, the former references to "sickness", "accident", and "disability" insurance are deleted as unnecessary in light of the comprehensive definition of "health insurance".

In subsection (a)(1)(i) of this section, the reference to a policy, contract, or certificate that is "issued or" delivered in the State is added to clarify the applicability of this section.

In subsection (a)(1)(iii) of this section, the reference to "individuals" who reside or work in the State is substituted for the former reference to "persons" since only an individual can reside or work in the State.

In subsection (a)(2) of this section, the former references to a policy, contract, or certificate that is "modified" or "altered" are deleted as included in the reference to a policy, contract, or certificate that is "amended".