

(2) THE ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE OF THE MOTHER, OR DESIGNEE OF THE ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE, SHALL PROVIDE NOTICE TO THE MOTHER OF THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 48A, §§ 354F, 470H, and 477-I.

In subsection (a) of this section, the reference to a "nonprofit health service plan" is substituted for the former reference to a "nonprofit health insurer" for clarity and consistency with the terminology used throughout this article.

Also in subsection (a) of this section, the former references to issuing or delivering a policy "to any person" in the State are deleted as implicit.

Also in subsection (a) of this section, the former references to hospitalization benefits for "the cost of hospitalization for" childbirth are deleted as surplusage.

Defined terms: "Health insurance" § 1-101

"Insurer" § 1-101

"Policy" § 1-101

15-812. INPATIENT HOSPITALIZATION COVERAGE FOR MOTHERS AND NEWBORN CHILDREN.

(A) "ATTENDING PROVIDER" DEFINED.

IN THIS SECTION, "ATTENDING PROVIDER" MEANS AN OBSTETRICIAN, PEDIATRICIAN, OTHER PHYSICIAN, CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE, OR PEDIATRIC NURSE PRACTITIONER ATTENDING A MOTHER OR NEWBORN CHILD.

(B) SCOPE OF SECTION.

THIS SECTION APPLIES TO:

(1) INSURERS AND NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLANS THAT PROVIDE INPATIENT HOSPITALIZATION COVERAGE TO INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS ON AN EXPENSE-INCURRED BASIS UNDER HEALTH INSURANCE POLICIES OR CONTRACTS THAT ARE ISSUED OR DELIVERED IN THE STATE; AND

(2) HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS THAT PROVIDE INPATIENT HOSPITALIZATION COVERAGE TO INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS UNDER CONTRACTS THAT ARE ISSUED OR DELIVERED IN THE STATE.

(C) MINIMUM LENGTH OF INPATIENT HOSPITALIZATION CARE.

AN ENTITY SUBJECT TO THIS SECTION SHALL PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR THE COST OF INPATIENT HOSPITALIZATION SERVICES FOR A MOTHER AND NEWBORN CHILD FOR A MINIMUM OF:

(1) 48 HOURS OF INPATIENT HOSPITALIZATION CARE AFTER AN UNCOMPLICATED VAGINAL DELIVERY; AND