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(b) The provisions of this section shall apply to all such policies and certificates issued, renewed, modified, altered, amended, or reissued on or after January 1, 1978.

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(a) Every health insurance policy delivered or issued for delivery in this State which provides for reimbursement for any service which is within the lawful scope of practice of a licensed certified social worker shall provide such benefit whether the service is performed by a doctor of medicine or by a licensed certified social [worker who has had at least two years or 3,000 hours of post-masters supervised clinical social work practice in a clinical program as established by the State Board of Social Work Examiners if the insured or the person covered by the policy was referred to the social worker by a physician] WORKER-CLINICAL.

(b) The provisions of this section shall apply to all such policies issued, renewed, modified, altered, amended, or reissued on or after January 1, 1978.

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(a) Every group or blanket health insurance policy delivered or issued for delivery in this State or issued to a group which is incorporated or has a main office located in this State, or covering persons who reside or work within this State, which provides for reimbursement for any service which is within the lawful scope of practice of a licensed certified social worker shall provide such benefit whether the service is performed by a doctor of medicine or by a licensed certified social [worker who has had at least two years or 3,000 hours of post-masters supervised clinical social work practice in a clinical program as established by the State Board of Social Work Examiners if the insured or the person covered by the policy was referred to the social worker by a physician] WORKER-CLINICAL.

(b) The provisions of this section shall apply to all such policies issued, renewed, modified, altered, amended, or reissued on or after January 1, 1978.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1992.

Approved May 12, 1992.