

Subject Screenings and testing for opioids

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Overview

This bill prohibits health plan companies, Medical Assistance, and MinnesotaCare from placing a lifetime or annual limit on screenings or urinalysis testing for opioids.

Summary

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| 1 | [62Q.472] Screening and testing for opioids. |
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Prohibits a health plan company from placing a lifetime or annual limit on screenings or urinalysis testing for opioids for those in an inpatient or outpatient substance use disorder treatment program. Tests must be ordered by a health care provider and performed at an accredited clinical laboratory. Clarifies that a health plan company may perform a medical necessity review for an enrollee who exceeds 24 tests in any 12-month period.

Effective date. This section is effective January 1, 2022, and applies to health plans offered, issued, or renewed on or after that date.

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| 2 | Laboratory and x-ray services. |
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Requires medical assistance to cover screenings and urinalysis tests for opioids without lifetime or annual limits.

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