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First engrossment

Subject Cost-sharing for drugs and supplies for chronic disease

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Overview

This bill sets limits on enrollee cost-sharing under private sector insurance, MA, and MinnesotaCare, for prescriptions drugs and related medical supplies prescribed to treat a chronic disease and related medical supplies.

Summary

Section Description

1 Cost-sharing for prescription drugs and related medical supplies to treat chronic disease.

Adds § 62Q.481.

Subd. 1. Cost-sharing limits. Requires a health plan to limit any enrollee cost-sharing for prescription drugs prescribed to treat a chronic disease to no more than \$25 per one-month supply for each prescription drug regardless of the amount or type of medication and to no more than \$50 per month in total for all related medical supplies. States that the cost-sharing limit for related medical supplies does not increase with the number of chronic diseases for which an enrollee is treated. States that this coverage is not subject to any deductible.

(b) Provides that if application of this section before an enrollee has met their deductible would result in health savings account or catastrophic health plan ineligibility, then this section shall apply to the drug or related medical supply only after the deductible has been met.

Subd. 2. Definitions. Defines the following terms: chronic disease, cost-sharing, and related medical supplies. "Chronic disease" is defined as diabetes, asthma, and allergies requiring the use of epinephrine auto-injectors.

States that the section is effective January 1, 2024, and applies to health plans offered, issued, and renewed on or after that date.

Section Description

2 **Cost-sharing.**

Amends § 256B.0631, subd. 1. Requires cost-sharing under MA for prescription drugs and related medical supplies to treat chronic disease to comply with § 62Q.481. Provides a January 1, 2024, effective date.

3 **Cost-sharing.**

Amends § 256L.03, subd. 5. Requires cost-sharing under MinnesotaCare for prescription drugs and related medical supplies to treat chronic disease to comply with § 62Q.481. Provides a January 1, 2024, effective date.



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