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Overview

This bill clarifies the circumstances under which an annual mammogram, which is currently required to be covered by health insurance, should include coverage of digital breast tomosynthesis.

Section

1 Mammograms. Clarifies that coverage for an annual mammogram screening includes digital breast tomosynthesis if the enrollee is at risk for breast cancer. This screening is at the option of the enrollee and at no cost to the enrollee.

(b) Digital breast tomosynthesis is a radiologic procedure that produces cross-sectional three-dimensional images of the breast. To be at risk for breast cancer means having a family history or relative with breast cancer, testing positive for BRCA1 or BRCA2 mutations, having dense breasts based on criteria established by the American College of Radiology, or having previously had breast cancer.

Effective date. This section is effective August 1, 2018, and applies to health plans issued on or after that date.