

CHAPTER 9

AN ACT

HB 4085

Relating to colorectal cancer screening; creating new provisions; amending ORS 743A.124; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 743A.124 is amended to read: 743A.124. (1) An insurer offering a health insurance policy that covers hospital, medical or surgical expenses, other than coverage limited to expenses from accidents or specific diseases, shall provide coverage for *[the following]* **all** colorectal cancer screening examinations and laboratory tests[:] **assigned either a grade of A or a grade of B by the United States Preventive Services Task Force.**

[(a)] (2) *[For]* **If an insured is 50 years of age or older, an insurer may not impose cost sharing on the coverage required by subsection (1) of this section and the coverage shall include, at a minimum:**

[(A)] (a) *[One]* Fecal occult blood *[test per year plus one flexible sigmoidoscopy every five years]* **tests;**

[(B)] (b) *[One Colonoscopy every 10 years]* **Colonoscopies, including the removal of polyps during a screening procedure; or**

[(C)] (c) *[One]* Double contrast barium *[enema every five years]* **enemas.**

[(b)] (3) *[For]* **If an insured [who] is at high risk for colorectal cancer, the coverage required by**

subsection (1) of this section shall include colorectal cancer screening examinations and laboratory tests as recommended by the treating physician.

[(2)] (4) For the purposes of subsection *[(1)(b)]* (3) of this section, an individual is at high risk for colorectal cancer if the individual has:

(a) A family medical history of colorectal cancer;

(b) A prior occurrence of cancer or precursor neoplastic polyps;

(c) A prior occurrence of a chronic digestive disease condition such as inflammatory bowel disease, Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis; or

(d) Other predisposing factors.

[(3)] (5) Health care service contractors, as defined in ORS 750.005, and trusts carrying out a multiple employer welfare arrangement, as defined in ORS 750.301, are also subject to this section.

SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 743A.124 by section 1 of this 2014 Act apply to policies or certificates that are first issued on or after the effective date of this 2014 Act or that expire after the effective date of this 2014 Act and are renewed.

SECTION 3. This 2014 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2014 Act takes effect on its passage.

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