

**HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF
MAMMOGRAPHY**

2007 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Carol Spackman Moss

Senate Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill requires health insurance providers to cover breast cancer screening mammography.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ provides definitions;
- ▶ requires that health insurance policies and health maintenance organization contracts cover breast cancer screening mammography according to a specified schedule;
- ▶ prohibits greater cost sharing for breast cancer screening mammography than other screening or diagnostic procedures; and
- ▶ grants rulemaking authority.

Monies Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

31A-22-629.5, Utah Code Annotated 1953



Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **31A-22-629.5** is enacted to read:

31A-22-629.5. Coverage of breast cancer screening mammography.

(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Breast cancer screening mammography" has the same meaning as defined in Title 26, Chapter 21a, Breast Cancer.

(b) "Woman at risk" means a woman:

(i) who has a personal history of breast cancer;

(ii) who has a personal history of biopsy proven benign breast disease;

(iii) whose grandmother, mother, sister, or daughter has had breast cancer; or

(iv) who otherwise has a particular risk of breast cancer, as determined by department rule.

(2) An individual or group health insurance policy or health maintenance organization contract shall provide coverage for breast cancer screening mammography according to the following schedule:

(a) once each year for a woman who is at least 40 years of age; and

(b) anytime when screening is ordered by a physician for a woman at risk.

(3) Coverage under Subsection (2):

(a) includes interpretation of the mammography results;

(b) does not include diagnostic mammography performed on a woman suspected of having breast cancer; and

(c) may not include copays, deductibles, coinsurance, or other provisions that would require greater cost sharing by the insured for the coverage of breast cancer screening mammography than for the screening or diagnosis of other medical conditions.

(4) The commissioner:

(a) as necessary, shall make rules to implement the provisions of this section; and

(b) may, by rule, modify the definitions under Subsection (1) and the coverage schedule under Subsection (2) pursuant to changes in cancer detection guidelines or practice standards established by the American Cancer Society or other reputable organizations.

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State Impact

Enactment of this bill will not require additional appropriations.

Individual, Business and/or Local Impact

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs and/or benefits for individuals, businesses, or local governments.

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