

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 769

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to health insurance coverage; defining terms; requiring health benefit plans provide coverage for at home care for persons with certain conditions; specifying terms of coverage; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 6060.31 of Title 36, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. For the purposes of this section:

1. "Developmental disability" means a severely chronic disability of a person which:

- a. is attributable to a physical or mental impairment or a combination of physical or mental impairments,
- b. is manifested before the person attains the age of twenty-two (22) years, and
- c. is likely to continue indefinitely; and

1 2. "Health benefit plan" means any plan or arrangement as
2 defined in subsection C of Section 6060.4 of Title 36 of the
3 Oklahoma Statutes.

4 B. Any health benefit plan, including the Oklahoma Employees
5 Insurance Plan, that is offered, issued, or renewed in this state on
6 or after the effective date of this act shall provide coverage for
7 home health care for a developmentally disabled person whose care
8 requires supervision of a licensed health professional. The
9 coverage provided by this section shall be subject to the same
10 annual deductibles, copayments, or coinsurance limits as established
11 for all covered benefits under the health benefit plan.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective January 1, 2024.

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