

Amendment to HB 1233-FN

1 Amend the bill by replacing sections 1-4 with the following:

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3 1 Coverage for Children's Early Intervention Services; Individual. Amend RSA 415:6-n to read
4 as follows:

5 415:6-n Coverage for Children's Early Intervention Therapy Services. Each insurer that issues
6 or renews any individual policy, plan, or contract of accident or health insurance providing benefits
7 for medical, rehabilitation, or hospital expenses, shall provide to certificate holders of such
8 insurance, who are residents of this state, coverage for expenses arising from the services of licensed
9 and credentialed occupational therapists, physical therapists, speech-language pathologists, and
10 clinical social workers working with children from birth to 36 months of age with an identified
11 developmental disability and/or delay as specified in rules adopted pursuant to RSA 171-A:18, IV as
12 long as the providing therapist receives a referral from the child's primary care ~~[physician]~~ **provider**
13 if applicable. The benefits ~~[included in this section may be subject to deductibles, copayments,~~
14 ~~coinsurance, or other terms and conditions of the policy, and]~~ **in this section shall not be subject**
15 **to deductibles, copayments, or coinsurance; provided that the benefits included in this**
16 **section** may have a cap of \$3,200 per child per year not to exceed \$9,600 by the child's third
17 birthday. Notwithstanding any provision of law or rule to the contrary, the coverage under this
18 section shall apply to the medical assistance program, pursuant to RSA 161 and RSA 167.

19 2 Coverage for Children's Early Intervention Services; Group. Amend RSA 415:18-s to read as
20 follows:

21 415:18-s Coverage for Children's Early Intervention Services. Each insurer that issues or
22 renews any policy of group accident or health insurance providing benefits for medical,
23 rehabilitation, or hospital expenses, shall provide to each group, or to the portion of each group
24 comprised of certificate holders of such insurance who are residents of this state, coverage for
25 expenses arising from the services of licensed and credentialed occupational therapists, physical
26 therapists, speech-language pathologists, and clinical social workers working with children from
27 birth to 36 months of age with an identified developmental disability and/or delay as specified in
28 rules adopted pursuant to RSA 171-A:18, IV as long as the providing therapist receives a referral
29 from the child's primary care ~~[physician]~~ **provider** if applicable. The benefits ~~[included in this~~
30 ~~section may be subject to deductibles, copayments, co-insurance, or other terms and conditions of the~~
31 ~~policy, and]~~ **in this section shall not be subject to deductibles, copayments, or coinsurance;**
32 **provided that the benefits included in this section** may have a cap of \$3,200 per child per year

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1 not to exceed \$9,600 by the child's third birthday. Notwithstanding any provision of law or rule to
2 the contrary, the coverage under this section shall apply to the medical assistance program,
3 pursuant to RSA 161 and RSA 167.

4 3 Coverage for Children's Early Intervention Services; Health Service Corporations. Amend
5 RSA 420-A:17-g to read as follows:

6 420-A:17-g Coverage for Children's Early Intervention Services. Every health service
7 corporation and every other similar corporation licensed under the laws of another state that issues
8 or renews any policy of group accident or health insurance providing benefits for medical,
9 rehabilitation, or hospital expenses, which provides coverage for outpatient services shall provide to
10 each group, or to the portion of each group comprised of certificate holders of such insurance who are
11 residents of this state, coverage for expenses arising from the services of licensed and credentialed
12 occupational therapists, physical therapists, speech-language pathologists, and clinical social
13 workers working with children from birth to 36 months of age with an identified developmental
14 disability and/or delay as specified in rules adopted pursuant to RSA 171-A:18, IV as long as the
15 providing therapist receives a referral from the child's primary care ~~[physician]~~ **provider** if
16 applicable. The benefits ~~[included in this section may be subject to deductibles, copayments, co-~~
17 ~~insurance, or other terms and conditions of the policy, and]~~ **in this section shall not be subject to**
18 **deductibles, copayments, or coinsurance; provided that the benefits included in this section**
19 may have a cap of \$3,200 per child per year not to exceed \$9,600 by the child's third birthday.
20 Notwithstanding any provision of law or rule to the contrary, the coverage under this section shall
21 apply to the medical assistance program, pursuant to RSA 161 and RSA 167.

22 4 Coverage for Children's Early Intervention Services; Health Maintenance Organizations.
23 Amend RSA 420-B:8-r to read as follows:

24 420-B:8-r Coverage for Children's Early Intervention Services. Every health maintenance
25 organization and every similar corporation licensed under the laws of another state that issues or
26 renews any policy, plan, or contract of individual or group health insurance providing benefits for
27 medical, rehabilitation, or hospital expenses, shall provide to each individual or group, or to the
28 portion of each group comprised of certificate holders of such insurance who are residents of this
29 state, coverage for expenses arising from the services of licensed and credentialed occupational
30 therapists, physical therapists, speech-language pathologists, and clinical social workers working
31 with children from birth to 36 months of age with an identified developmental disability and/or delay
32 as specified in rules adopted pursuant to RSA 171-A:18, IV as long as the providing therapist
33 receives a referral from the child's primary care ~~[physician]~~ **provider** if applicable. The benefits
34 ~~[included in this section may be subject to deductibles, copayments, co-insurance, or other terms and~~
35 ~~conditions of the policy, and]~~ **in this section shall not be subject to deductibles, copayments, or**
36 **coinsurance; provided that the benefits included in this section** may have a cap of \$3,200 per
37 child per year not to exceed \$9,600 by the child's third birthday. Notwithstanding any provision of

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- 1 law or rule to the contrary, the coverage under this section shall apply to the medical assistance
- 2 program, pursuant to RSA 161 and RSA 167.