

## 215 ILCS 5/356z.2 Coverage for Adjunctive Services in Dental Care

Sec. 356z.2. Coverage for adjunctive services in dental care.

(a) An individual or group policy of accident and health insurance amended, delivered, issued, or renewed after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 92nd General Assembly shall cover charges incurred, and anesthetics provided, in conjunction with dental care that is provided to a covered individual in a hospital or an ambulatory surgical treatment center if any of the following applies:

- (1) the individual is a child age 6 or under;
- (2) the individual has a medical condition that requires hospitalization or general anesthesia for dental care; or
- (3) the individual is disabled.

(b) For purposes of this Section, "ambulatory surgical treatment center" has the meaning given to that term in Section 3 of the Ambulatory Surgical Treatment Center Act.

For purposes of this Section, "disabled" means a person, regardless of age, with a chronic disability if the chronic disability meets all of the following conditions:

- (1) It is attributable to a mental or physical impairment or combination of mental and physical impairments.
- (2) It is likely to continue.
- (3) It results in substantial functional limitations in one or more of the following areas of major life activity:

- (A) self-care;
- (B) receptive and expressive language;
- (C) learning;
- (D) mobility;
- (E) capacity for independent living; or
- (F) economic self-sufficiency.

(c) The coverage required under this Section may be subject to any limitations, exclusions, or cost sharing provisions that apply generally under the insurance policy.

(d) This Section does not apply to a policy that covers only dental care.

(e) Nothing in this Section requires that the dental services be covered.

(f) The provisions of this Section do not apply to short-term travel, accident-only, limited, or specified disease policies, nor to policies or contracts designed for issuance to persons eligible for coverage under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act, known as Medicare, or any other similar coverage under State or federal governmental plans.

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