

A bill for an act
relating to insurance; establishing a work group on health plan coverage of
clinical trials; requiring findings and recommendations.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. **WORK GROUP ON HEALTH PLAN COVERAGE OF CLINICAL
TRIALS.**

The commissioners of health and commerce shall, in consultation with the
commissioners of management and budget and human services, convene a work group
to study health plan coverage of cancer clinical trials. The work group shall be made up
of representatives of consumers, patient advocates, health plan companies, purchasers,
providers, and other health care professionals involved in the care and treatment of
cancer patients. The work group shall consider appropriate updates to the 2002 Voluntary
Program to Clarify Health Plan Reimbursement of the Costs of Routine Care Provided
in Cancer Clinical Trials. The work group shall also review administrative burdens and
challenges in coverage for routine costs in cancer clinical trials. The commissioners
shall submit the findings and the recommendations of the work group to the chairs of
the health policy and finance committees in the senate and the house of representatives
by December 15, 2010.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.