62A.3075 CANCER CHEMOTHERAPY TREATMENT COVERAGE.

(a) A health plan company that provides coverage under a health plan for cancer chemotherapy treatment shall not require a higher co-payment, deductible, or coinsurance amount for a prescribed, orally administered anticancer medication that is used to kill or slow the growth of cancerous cells than what the health plan requires for an intravenously administered or injected cancer medication that is provided, regardless of formulation or benefit category determination by the health plan company.

(b) A health plan company must not achieve compliance with this section by imposing an increase in co-payment, deductible, or coinsurance amount for an intravenously administered or injected cancer chemotherapy agent covered under the health plan.

(c) Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to prohibit a health plan company from requiring prior authorization or imposing other appropriate utilization controls in approving coverage for any chemotherapy.

(d) A plan offered by the commissioner of management and budget under section 43A.23 is deemed to be at parity and in compliance with this section.

(e) A health plan company is in compliance with this section if it does not include orally administered anticancer medication in the fourth tier of its pharmacy benefit.

(f) A health plan company that provides coverage under a health plan for cancer chemotherapy treatment must indicate the level of coverage for orally administered anticancer medication within its pharmacy benefit filing with the commissioner.

History: *2010 c 326 s 1; 1Sp2017 c 6 art 5 s 3*