

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Uniform Health Care Service Benefits  
5 Information Card Act is amended by changing Sections 10 and 15  
6 as follows:

7 (215 ILCS 139/10)

8 Sec. 10. Definitions. As used in this Act, the following  
9 terms have the meanings given in this Section.

10 "Department" means the Department of Insurance.

11 "Director" means the Director of Insurance.

12 "Health benefit plan" means an accident and health  
13 insurance policy or certificate subject to the Illinois  
14 Insurance Code, a voluntary health services plan subject to the  
15 Voluntary Health Services Plans Act, a health maintenance  
16 organization subscriber contract subject to the Health  
17 Maintenance Organization Act, a plan provided by a multiple  
18 employer welfare arrangement, a dental service plan subject to  
19 the Dental Service Plan Act, or a plan provided by another  
20 benefit arrangement. Without limitation, "health benefit plan"  
21 does not mean any of the following types of insurance:

22 (1) accident;

23 (2) credit;

- 1 (3) disability income;
- 2 (4) long-term or nursing home care;
- 3 (5) specified disease;
- 4 (6) ~~dental or~~ vision;
- 5 (7) coverage issued as a supplement to liability  
6 insurance;
- 7 (8) medical payments under automobile or homeowners;
- 8 (9) insurance under which benefits are payable with or  
9 without regard to fault as statutorily required to be  
10 contained in any liability policy or equivalent  
11 self-insurance;
- 12 (10) hospital income or indemnity; and
- 13 (11) self-insured health benefit plans under the  
14 federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

15 (Source: P.A. 92-106, eff. 1-1-02.)

16 (215 ILCS 139/15)

17 Sec. 15. Uniform health care benefit information cards  
18 required.

19 (a) A health benefit plan that issues a card or other  
20 technology and provides coverage for health care services  
21 including prescription drugs or devices also referred to as  
22 health care benefits and an administrator of such a plan  
23 including, but not limited to, third-party administrators for  
24 self-insured plans and state-administered plans shall issue to  
25 its insureds a card or other technology containing uniform

1 health care benefit information. The health care benefit  
2 information card or other technology shall specifically  
3 identify and display the following mandatory data elements on  
4 the card:

5 (1) processor control number, if required for claims  
6 adjudication;

7 (2) group number;

8 (3) card issuer identifier;

9 (4) cardholder ID number; and

10 (5) cardholder name.

11 (b) The uniform health care benefit information card or  
12 other technology shall specifically identify and display the  
13 following mandatory data elements on the back of the card:

14 (1) claims submission names and addresses; and

15 (2) help desk telephone numbers and names.

16 (b-5) A uniform health care benefit information card or  
17 other technology for a health benefit plan offering dental  
18 coverage shall include a statement indicating whether the  
19 health benefit plan offering dental coverage is subject to  
20 regulation by the Department of Insurance.

21 (c) A new uniform health care benefit information card or  
22 other technology shall be issued by a health benefit plan upon  
23 enrollment and reissued upon any change in the insured's  
24 coverage that affects mandatory data elements contained on the  
25 card.

26 (d) Notwithstanding subsections (a), (b), and (c) of this

1 Section, a discounted health care services plan administrator  
2 shall issue to its beneficiaries a card containing the  
3 following mandatory data elements:

4 (1) an Internet website for beneficiaries to access  
5 up-to-date lists of preferred providers;

6 (2) a toll-free help desk number for beneficiaries and  
7 providers to access up-to-date lists of preferred  
8 providers and additional information about the discounted  
9 health care services plan;

10 (3) the name or logo of the provider network;

11 (4) a group number, if necessary for the processing of  
12 benefits;

13 (5) a cardholder ID number;

14 (6) the cardholder's name or a space to permit the  
15 cardholder to print his or her name, if the cardholder pays  
16 a periodic charge for use of the card;

17 (7) a processor control number, if required for claims  
18 adjudication; and

19 (8) a statement that the plan is not insurance.

20 (e) As used in this Section, "discounted health care  
21 services plan administrator" means any person, partnership, or  
22 corporation, other than an insurer, health service  
23 corporation, limited health service organization holding a  
24 certificate of authority under the Limited Health Service  
25 Organization Act, or health maintenance organization holding a  
26 certificate of authority under the Health Maintenance

1 Organization Act that arranges, contracts with, or administers  
2 contracts with a provider whereby insureds or beneficiaries are  
3 provided an incentive to use health care services provided by  
4 health care services providers under a discounted health care  
5 services plan in which there are no other incentives, such as  
6 copayment, coinsurance, or any other reimbursement  
7 differential, for beneficiaries to utilize the provider.  
8 "Discounted health care services plan administrator" also  
9 includes any person, partnership, or corporation, other than an  
10 insurer, health service corporation, limited health service  
11 organization holding a certificate of authority under the  
12 Limited Health Service Organization Act, or health maintenance  
13 organization holding a certificate of authority under the  
14 Health Maintenance Organization Act that enters into a contract  
15 with another administrator to enroll beneficiaries or insureds  
16 in a preferred provider program marketed as an independently  
17 identifiable program based on marketing materials or member  
18 benefit identification cards.

19 (Source: P.A. 96-1326, eff. 1-1-11.)