

1 AN ACT in relation to insurance.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Insurance Code is amended by  
5 changing Section 370i and changing and renumbering Section  
6 356z.2 (as added by P.A. 92-579) as follows:

7 (215 ILCS 5/356z.3)

8 Sec. 356z.3 ~~356z.2~~. Disclosure of limited benefit. An  
9 insurer that issues, delivers, amends, or renews an  
10 individual or group policy of accident and health insurance  
11 in this State after the effective date of this amendatory Act  
12 of the 92nd General Assembly and arranges, contracts with, or  
13 administers contracts with a provider whereby beneficiaries  
14 are provided an incentive to use the services of such  
15 provider must include the following disclosure on its  
16 contracts and evidences of coverage: "WARNING, LIMITED  
17 BENEFITS WILL BE PAID WHEN NON-PARTICIPATING PROVIDERS ARE  
18 USED. You should be aware that when you elect to utilize the  
19 services of a non-participating provider for a covered  
20 service in non-emergency situations, benefit payments to such  
21 non-participating provider are not based upon the amount  
22 billed. The basis of your benefit payment will be determined  
23 according to your policy's fee schedule, usual and customary  
24 charge (which is determined by comparing charges for similar  
25 services adjusted to the geographical area where the services  
26 are performed), or other method as defined by the policy. YOU  
27 CAN EXPECT TO PAY MORE THAN THE COINSURANCE, COPAYMENT,  
28 DEDUCTIBLE, AND OTHER OUT-OF-POCKET AMOUNTS AMOUNT DEFINED IN  
29 THE POLICY AFTER THE PLAN HAS PAID ITS REQUIRED PORTION.  
30 Non-participating providers may bill members for any amount  
31 up to the billed charge after the plan has paid its portion

1 of the bill. Participating providers have agreed to accept  
 2 discounted payments for services with no additional billing  
 3 to the member other than co-insurance, and deductible, and  
 4 other out-of-pocket amounts defined in your policy. BOTH  
 5 PARTICIPATING AND NON-PARTICIPATING PROVIDERS MAY BILL FOR  
 6 SERVICES NOT COVERED BY YOUR POLICY. You may obtain further  
 7 information about the participating status of professional  
 8 providers and information on out-of-pocket expenses by  
 9 calling the toll free telephone number on your identification  
 10 card."

11 (Source: P.A. 92-579, eff. 1-1-03; revised 9-3-02.)

12 (215 ILCS 5/370i) (from Ch. 73, par. 982i)

13 Sec. 370i. Policies, agreements or arrangements with  
 14 incentives or limits on reimbursement authorized.

15 (a) Policies, agreements or arrangements issued under  
 16 this Article may not contain terms or conditions that would  
 17 operate unreasonably to restrict the access and availability  
 18 of health care services for the insured.

19 (b) An insurer or administrator may:

20 (1) enter into agreements with certain providers of  
 21 its choice relating to health care services which may be  
 22 rendered to insureds or beneficiaries of the insurer or  
 23 administrator, including agreements relating to the  
 24 amounts to be charged the insureds or beneficiaries for  
 25 services rendered;

26 (2) issue or administer programs, policies or  
 27 subscriber contracts in this State that include  
 28 incentives for the insured or beneficiary to utilize the  
 29 services of a provider which has entered into an  
 30 agreement with the insurer or administrator pursuant to  
 31 paragraph (1) above.

32 (c) After the effective date of this amendatory Act of  
 33 the 92nd General Assembly, any insurer that arranges,

1 contracts with, or administers contracts with a provider  
2 whereby beneficiaries are provided an incentive to use the  
3 services of such provider must include the following  
4 disclosure on its contracts and evidences of coverage:  
5 "WARNING, LIMITED BENEFITS WILL BE PAID WHEN  
6 NON-PARTICIPATING PROVIDERS ARE USED. You should be aware  
7 that when you elect to utilize the services of a  
8 non-participating provider for a covered service in  
9 non-emergency situations, benefit payments to such  
10 non-participating provider are not based upon the amount  
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20 up to the billed charge after the plan has paid its portion  
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27 information about the participating status of professional  
28 providers and information on out-of-pocket expenses by  
29 calling the toll free telephone number on your identification  
30 card."

31 (Source: P.A. 92-579, eff. 1-1-03.)

32 Section 10. The Health Maintenance Organization Act is  
33 amended by changing Section 4.5-1 as follows:

1 (215 ILCS 125/4.5-1)

2 Sec. 4.5-1. Point-of-service health service contracts.

3 (a) A health maintenance organization that offers a  
4 point-of-service contract:

5 (1) must include as in-plan covered services all  
6 services required by law to be provided by a health  
7 maintenance organization;

8 (2) must provide incentives, which shall include  
9 financial incentives, for enrollees to use in-plan  
10 covered services;

11 (3) may not offer services out-of-plan without  
12 providing those services on an in-plan basis;

13 (4) may include annual out-of-pocket limits and  
14 lifetime maximum benefits allowances for out-of-plan  
15 services that are separate from any limits or allowances  
16 applied to in-plan services;

17 (5) may not consider emergency services, authorized  
18 referral services, or non-routine services obtained out  
19 of the service area to be point-of-service services;

20 (6) may treat as out-of-plan services those  
21 services that an enrollee obtains from a participating  
22 provider, but for which the proper authorization was not  
23 given by the health maintenance organization; and

24 (7) after the effective date of this amendatory Act  
25 of the 92nd General Assembly, must include the following  
26 disclosure on its point-of-service contracts and  
27 evidences of coverage: "WARNING, LIMITED BENEFITS WILL BE  
28 PAID WHEN NON-PARTICIPATING PROVIDERS ARE USED. You  
29 should be aware that when you elect to utilize the  
30 services of a non-participating provider for a covered  
31 service in non-emergency situations, benefit payments to  
32 such non-participating provider are not based upon the  
33 amount billed. The basis of your benefit payment will be  
34 determined according to your policy's fee schedule, usual

1 and customary charge (which is determined by comparing  
2 charges for similar services adjusted to the geographical  
3 area where the services are performed), or other method  
4 as defined by the policy. YOU CAN EXPECT TO PAY MORE THAN  
5 THE COINSURANCE, CO-PAYMENT, DEDUCTIBLE, AND OTHER  
6 OUT-OF-POCKET AMOUNTS AMOUNT DEFINED IN THE POLICY AFTER  
7 THE PLAN HAS PAID ITS REQUIRED PORTION. Non-participating  
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13 deductible, and other out-of-pocket amounts defined in  
14 your policy. BOTH PARTICIPATING AND NON-PARTICIPATING  
15 PROVIDERS MAY BILL FOR SERVICES NOT COVERED BY YOUR  
16 POLICY. You may obtain further information about the  
17 participating status of professional providers and  
18 information on out-of-pocket expenses by calling the toll  
19 free telephone number on your identification card."

20 (b) A health maintenance organization offering a  
21 point-of-service contract is subject to all of the following  
22 limitations:

23 (1) The health maintenance organization may not  
24 expend in any calendar quarter more than 20% of its total  
25 expenditures for all its members for out-of-plan covered  
26 services.

27 (2) If the amount specified in item (1) of this  
28 subsection is exceeded by 2% in a quarter, the health  
29 maintenance organization must effect compliance with item  
30 (1) of this subsection by the end of the following  
31 quarter.

32 (3) If compliance with the amount specified in item  
33 (1) of this subsection is not demonstrated in the health  
34 maintenance organization's next quarterly report, the

1 health maintenance organization may not offer the  
2 point-of-service contract to new groups or include the  
3 point-of-service option in the renewal of an existing  
4 group until compliance with the amount specified in item  
5 (1) of this subsection is demonstrated or until otherwise  
6 allowed by the Director.

7 (4) A health maintenance organization failing,  
8 without just cause, to comply with the provisions of this  
9 subsection shall be required, after notice and hearing,  
10 to pay a penalty of \$250 for each day out of compliance,  
11 to be recovered by the Director. Any penalty recovered  
12 shall be paid into the General Revenue Fund. The Director  
13 may reduce the penalty if the health maintenance  
14 organization demonstrates to the Director that the  
15 imposition of the penalty would constitute a financial  
16 hardship to the health maintenance organization.

17 (c) A health maintenance organization that offers a  
18 point-of-service product must do all of the following:

19 (1) File a quarterly financial statement detailing  
20 compliance with the requirements of subsection (b).

21 (2) Track out-of-plan, point-of-service utilization  
22 separately from in-plan or non-point-of-service,  
23 out-of-plan emergency care, referral care, and urgent  
24 care out of the service area utilization.

25 (3) Record out-of-plan utilization in a manner that  
26 will permit such utilization and cost reporting as the  
27 Director may, by rule, require.

28 (4) Demonstrate to the Director's satisfaction that  
29 the health maintenance organization has the fiscal,  
30 administrative, and marketing capacity to control its  
31 point-of-service enrollment, utilization, and costs so as  
32 not to jeopardize the financial security of the health  
33 maintenance organization.

34 (5) Maintain, in addition to any other deposit

1 required under this Act, the deposit required by Section  
2 2-6.

3 (6) Maintain cash and cash equivalents of  
4 sufficient amount to fully liquidate 10 days' average  
5 claim payments, subject to review by the Director.

6 (7) Maintain and file with the Director,  
7 reinsurance coverage protecting against catastrophic  
8 losses on out of network point-of-service services.  
9 Deductibles may not exceed \$100,000 per covered life per  
10 year, and the portion of risk retained by the health  
11 maintenance organization once deductibles have been  
12 satisfied may not exceed 20%. Reinsurance must be placed  
13 with licensed authorized reinsurers qualified to do  
14 business in this State.

15 (d) A health maintenance organization may not issue a  
16 point-of-service contract until it has filed and had approved  
17 by the Director a plan to comply with the provisions of this  
18 Section. The compliance plan must, at a minimum, include  
19 provisions demonstrating that the health maintenance  
20 organization will do all of the following:

21 (1) Design the benefit levels and conditions of  
22 coverage for in-plan covered services and out-of-plan  
23 covered services as required by this Article.

24 (2) Provide or arrange for the provision of  
25 adequate systems to:

26 (A) process and pay claims for all out-of-plan  
27 covered services;

28 (B) meet the requirements for point-of-service  
29 contracts set forth in this Section and any  
30 additional requirements that may be set forth by the  
31 Director; and

32 (C) generate accurate data and financial and  
33 regulatory reports on a timely basis so that the  
34 Department of Insurance can evaluate the health

1 maintenance organization's experience with the  
2 point-of-service contract and monitor compliance  
3 with point-of-service contract provisions.

4 (3) Comply with the requirements of subsections (b)  
5 and (c).

6 (Source: P.A. 92-135, eff. 1-1-02; 92-579, eff. 1-1-03.)

7 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect on  
8 December 1, 2003.