DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires private health plans and state Medicaid health plans to reimburse for a 12-month supply of contraceptive drugs dispensed at one time.

Proposed law generally requires a health coverage plan including a group coverage plan and Medicaid health plans issued or renewed in this state on or after January 1, 2023, providing coverage for contraceptive drugs to reimburse for a 12-month supply of contraceptive drugs to be obtained at one time by the insured, unless the insured requests a smaller supply or the prescribing provider instructs for the insured to receive a smaller supply. Further requires the insured to have used the same contraceptive drugs for at least the consecutive 12 months prior to receiving a 12-month supply.

Proposed law requires a health coverage plan or group coverage plan and Medicaid health plans to allow the insured to receive the contraceptive drugs onsite at the provider's office. Requires dispensing practices to follow all clinical guidelines for appropriate prescribing and dispensing to ensure the health of the insured while maximizing access to effective contraceptive drugs.

Proposed law defines "contraceptive drugs".

(Adds R.S. 22:1033.1 and R.S. 40:1248.21)