

Prior law provided for certain health care provider contracts.

New law provides any contract or agreement between a managed care organization and a health care provider shall include provisions that provide for the reimbursement of a health care provider in any instance in which the managed care organization requests or requires substitution of a medication for an enrollee.

New law does not apply to generic substitution or step therapy programs utilized by the managed care organization that promote generic drugs as a first-line therapy.

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