

2022 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 257

BY SENATOR FRED MILLS

MEDICAID. Provides relative to Medicaid coverage for continuous glucose monitors.
(8/1/22)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 46:450.8, relative to Medicaid coverage for continuous glucose monitors; to
3 require Medicaid coverage for continuous glucose monitors; to provide for the
4 method of coverage; to provide for duties of the Louisiana Department of Health;
5 and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 46:450.8 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 **§450.8. Continuous glucose monitors; Medicaid coverage**

9 **A. Except as provided in Subsection B of this Section, the Louisiana**
10 **Medicaid program shall provide coverage for a continuous glucose monitor for**
11 **the treatment of an enrollee who has one of the following conditions:**

12 **(1) Any type of diabetes with the use of insulin more than two times**
13 **daily or evidence of level 2 or level 3 hypoglycemia.**

14 **(2) Glycogen storage disease type 1a.**

15 **B. To qualify for coverage pursuant to Subsection A of this Section, the**
16 **enrollee shall attend regular follow-up visits with a healthcare provider at a**
17 **minimum of every six months to assess the ongoing benefit of the enrollee's use**

1 **of a continuous glucose monitor.**

2 **C.(1) The Louisiana Department of Health shall implement the**
3 **provisions of this Section using the most cost-effective solution available to the**
4 **department.**

5 **(2) The secretary of the department shall submit to the Centers for**
6 **Medicare and Medicaid Services all state plan amendments, promulgate all**
7 **rules and regulations in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, and**
8 **take any other actions necessary to implement the provisions of this Section.**

9 **D. For the purposes of this Section, "continuous glucose monitor" means**
10 **an instrument or device, including repair and replacement parts, that is**
11 **designed and offered for the purpose of measuring glucose levels at set intervals**
12 **by means of a small electrode placed under the skin and held in place by an**
13 **adhesive.**

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Brandi Cannon.

DIGEST

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Proposed law requires the La. Medicaid program to provide coverage for a continuous glucose monitor for the treatment of an enrollee who has any type of diabetes with the use of insulin more than two times daily or evidence of level 2 or level 3 hypoglycemia or who has glycogen storage disease type 1a.

Proposed law requires an enrollee who receives coverage for a continuous glucose monitor to attend regular follow-up visits with a healthcare provider at a minimum of every six months to assess the ongoing benefit of the enrollee's use of a continuous glucose monitor.

Proposed law requires the La. Dept. of Health to implement the coverage requirement of proposed law using the most cost-effective solution available to the department.

Effective August 1, 2022.

(Adds R.S. 46:450.8)