

Title 22—MISSOURI CONSOLIDATED HEALTH CARE PLAN
Division 10—Health Care Plan
Chapter 2—State Membership

PROPOSED RULE

22 CSR 10-3.135 Benefit Package Option

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the policy of the board of trustees in regard to subscriber's objection to contraception coverage due to religious or moral objections.

- (1) Subscribers may choose to not have contraception coverage if such items or procedures are contrary to his/her religious beliefs or moral convictions.
- (2) A subscriber must notify Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan via the method prescribed by the plan, that they have an objection to coverage of contraception due to a religious belief or moral conviction during any applicable enrollment period.
- (3) For coverage beginning January 1, 2018, the plan shall specify a period of at least ten (10) days in which to receive notifications.
- (4) Once a subscriber elects to not have contraception coverage, she/he will be unable to elect contraception coverage during the plan year unless there is a qualifying event under 22 CSR 10-3.020 or an open enrollment period.
- (5) If a subscriber objects to the coverage, their benefits will provide no coverage for any contraception services as either a medical or pharmacy benefit for themselves and anyone they cover as a dependent.

AUTHORITY: section 103.059, RSMo 2000, and section 103.080.3., RSMo Supp. 2012. Emergency rule filed October 27, 2017, effective November 6, 2017, expired May 4, 2018.

PUBLIC COST: This proposed rule will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed rule will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan, Judith Muck, PO Box 104355, Jefferson City, MO 65110. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. No public hearing is scheduled.

**Original authority: 103.059, RSMo 1992.*