## §4305. Quality of care

A carrier offering or renewing a health plan that subjects payment of benefits for otherwise covered services to review for clinical necessity, appropriateness, efficacy or efficiency must meet the following requirements relating to quality of care. [PL 2007, c. 199, Pt. B, §14 (AMD).]

1. Internal quality assurance program. A health plan must have an ongoing quality assurance program for the health care services provided or reimbursed by the health plan. [PL 1995, c. 673, §1 (NEW); PL 1995, c. 673, §2 (AFF).]

**2.** Written standards. The standards of quality of care must be described in a written document, which must be available for examination by the superintendent or by the Department of Health and Human Services.

[PL 1995, c. 673, §1 (NEW); PL 1995, c. 673, §2 (AFF); PL 2003, c. 689, Pt. B, §6 (REV).]

**3.** Coverage decisions. Following a determination that a particular service is covered, a carrier may not deny payment for that service based on the enrollee's age, nature of disability or degree of medical dependency.

[PL 1995, c. 673, §1 (NEW); PL 1995, c. 673, §2 (AFF).]

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