

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1008

By: Representative Pilkington

By: Senator B. Davis

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MODIFY THE COVERAGE OF CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE MONITORS IN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO MODIFY THE COVERAGE OF CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE MONITORS IN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-7-142 is repealed for reenactment in a more appropriate section within the Arkansas Code.

~~20-7-142. Continuous glucose monitor—Definition.~~

~~(a) As used in this section, “continuous glucose monitor” means an instrument or device, including repair and replacement parts, that:~~

~~(1) Is designed and offered for the purpose of aiding an individual with diabetes;~~

~~(2) Measures glucose levels at set intervals by means of a small electrode placed under the skin and held in place by an adhesive; and~~

~~(3) Is generally not useful to an individual who has not been diagnosed with diabetes.~~

~~(b) The Arkansas Medicaid Program shall provide coverage for a continuous glucose monitor for the treatment of an individual if the individual has:~~

~~(1) Either:~~



~~(A) A presence of type 1 diabetes or any other type of diabetes with:~~

~~(i) The use of insulin more than two (2) times daily; or~~

~~(ii) Evidence of Level 2 or Level 3 hypoglycemia; or~~

~~(B) Diagnosis of glycogen storage disease type 1a; and~~

~~(2) Regular follow up with a healthcare provider at a minimum every six (6) months to assess for ongoing benefit.~~

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 77, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

20-77-148. Continuous glucose monitor – Definition.

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(b) The Arkansas Medicaid Program shall provide coverage for a continuous glucose monitor for the treatment of an individual if the individual has:

(1) Either:

(A) A presence of type 1 diabetes or any other type of diabetes with:

(i) The use of insulin more than two (2) times daily; or

(ii) Evidence of Level 2 or Level 3 hypoglycemia; or

(B) Diagnosis of glycogen storage disease type 1a; and

(2) Regular follow-up visits with a healthcare provider at a minimum of every six (6) months to assess for ongoing benefit of the continuous glucose monitor.

(c) Coverage for a continuous glucose monitor under the Arkansas Medicaid Program shall allow the beneficiary to obtain a continuous glucose monitor through a prescription at a pharmacy and be eligible for rebates as a

pharmacy benefit.

/s/Pilkington