



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 5270**

January Session, 2019



**AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR  
CERTAIN SERVICES PROVIDED BY PEER SUPPORT SPECIALISTS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2020*) Each individual health  
2       insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in  
3       subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general  
4       statutes delivered, issued for delivery, amended, renewed or  
5       continued in this state on or after January 1, 2020, shall provide  
6       coverage for all nonmedical mental health care services and substance  
7       abuse services provided by peer support specialists on an outpatient  
8       basis. The Insurance Commissioner may adopt regulations, in  
9       accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the  
10      provisions of this section.

11      Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2020*) Each group health insurance  
12      policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2),  
13      (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered,  
14      issued for delivery, amended, renewed or continued in this state on or  
15      after January 1, 2020, shall provide coverage for all nonmedical mental  
16      health care services and substance abuse services provided by peer  
17      support specialists on an outpatient basis. The Insurance  
18      Commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54  
19      of the general statutes, to implement the provisions of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>January 1, 2020</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>January 1, 2020</i>	New section

**INS**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*