

General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 6626

January Session, 2021



AN ACT CONCERNING REQUIRED HEALTH INSURANCE AND MEDICAID COVERAGE, AMBULANCE SERVICES AND COST TRANSPARENCY.

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

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2022) 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, renewed, amended or continued
- 5 in this state on or after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for: (1)
- 6 Motorized wheelchairs, including, but not limited to, used motorized
- 7 wheelchairs; (2) repairs to motorized wheelchairs; and (3) replacement
- 8 batteries for motorized wheelchairs.
- 9 Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2022) Each group health insurance
- 10 policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2),
- 11 (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered,
- 12 issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or
- 13 after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for: (1) Motorized
- wheelchairs, including, but not limited to, used motorized wheelchairs;
- 15 (2) repairs to motorized wheelchairs; and (3) replacement batteries for
- 16 motorized wheelchairs.
- 17 Sec. 3. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2022) Each individual health

- 18 insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in 19 subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general 20 statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for: (1) A 21 22 unilateral cochlear implant, and unilateral cochlear implant surgery, for 23 an insured who has been diagnosed with unilateral hearing loss; and (2) 24 bilateral cochlear implants, and bilateral cochlear implant surgery, for 25 an insured who has been diagnosed with bilateral hearing loss.
- 26 Sec. 4. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2022) Each group health insurance 27 policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), 28 (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, 29 issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or 30 after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for: (1) A unilateral 31 cochlear implant, and unilateral cochlear implant surgery, for an 32 insured who has been diagnosed with unilateral hearing loss; and (2) 33 bilateral cochlear implants, and bilateral cochlear implant surgery, for 34 an insured who has been diagnosed with bilateral hearing loss.
- Sec. 5. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2022*) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for medically necessary coronary calcium scan tests.
- Sec. 6. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2022*) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for medically necessary coronary calcium scan tests.
- Sec. 7. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2022*) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general

- statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for genetic cystic fibrosis screenings for women.
- Sec. 8. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2022*) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for genetic cystic fibrosis screenings for women.
- 59 Sec. 9. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2022) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in 60 61 subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general 62 statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued 63 in this state on or after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for the 64 treatment of neurological conditions and diseases, including, but not 65 limited to, physical therapy for the treatment of amyotrophic lateral 66 sclerosis.
 - Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective January* 1, 2022) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for the treatment of neurological conditions and diseases, including, but not limited to, physical therapy for the treatment of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis.
 - Sec. 11. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2022*) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for equine therapy for an insured who is a veteran. For the purposes of this section, "veteran" has the same meaning as provided in section 27-103 of the general statutes.

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Sec. 12. (NEW) (*Effective January 1*, 2022) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for equine therapy for an insured who is a veteran. For the purposes of this section, "veteran" has the same meaning as provided in section 27-103 of the general statutes.

Sec. 13. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2022*) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for gambling disorder treatment. For the purposes of this section, "gambling disorder" has the same meaning as provided in the most recent edition of the American Psychiatric Association's "Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders".

Sec. 14. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2022*) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for gambling disorder treatment. For the purposes of this section, "gambling disorder" has the same meaning as provided in the most recent edition of the American Psychiatric Association's "Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders".

Sec. 15. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2022*) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for audiologic, ophthalmologic and optometric care.

113 Sec. 16. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2022) Each group health insurance

- 114 policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2),
- 115 (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered,
- issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or
- 117 after January 1, 2022, shall provide coverage for audiologic,
- 118 ophthalmologic and optometric care.
- 119 Sec. 17. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2021) (a) The Commissioner of Social
- 120 Services shall provide Medicaid reimbursement for audiologic,
- 121 ophthalmologic and optometric care.
- (b) The commissioner shall seek federal approval of a Medicaid state
- 123 plan amendment or Medicaid waiver, if necessary, to implement the
- 124 provisions of this section. Any submission of a Medicaid state plan
- amendment or Medicaid waiver shall be in accordance with the
- provisions of section 17b-8 of the general statutes.
- 127 (c) The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with
- 128 chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the provisions of this
- 129 section. The commissioner may adopt policies or procedures to
- implement the provisions of this section while in the process of adopting
- regulations, provided such policies or procedures are posted on the
- 132 Internet web site of the Department of Social Services and on the
- 133 eRegulations System prior to the adoption of such policies or
- 134 procedures.
- Sec. 18. Section 38a-492c of the general statutes is repealed and the
- following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2022*):
- 137 (a) For purposes of this section:
- 138 (1) "Inherited metabolic disease" includes (A) a disease for which
- newborn screening is required under section 19a-55; and (B) cystic
- 140 fibrosis.
- 141 (2) "Low protein modified food product" means a product formulated
- to have less than one gram of protein per serving and intended for the
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- 145 (3) "Amino acid modified preparation" means a product intended for 146 the dietary treatment of an inherited metabolic disease under the 147 direction of a physician.
- (4) "Specialized formula" means a nutritional formula [for children up to age twelve] that is exempt from the general requirements for nutritional labeling under the statutory and regulatory guidelines of the federal Food and Drug Administration and is intended for use solely under medical supervision in the dietary management of specific diseases.
 - (b) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state shall provide coverage for amino acid modified preparations and low protein modified food products for the treatment of inherited metabolic diseases if the amino acid modified preparations or low protein modified food products are prescribed for the therapeutic treatment of inherited metabolic diseases and are administered under the direction of a physician.
 - (c) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state shall provide coverage for specialized formulas when such specialized formulas are medically necessary for the treatment of a disease or condition and are administered under the direction of a physician.
- (d) Such policy shall provide coverage for such preparations, food products and formulas on the same basis as outpatient prescription drugs.
- Sec. 19. Section 38a-518c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2022*):

- 175 (a) For purposes of this section:
- 176 (1) "Inherited metabolic disease" includes (A) a disease for which 177 newborn screening is required under section 19a-55; and (B) cystic 178 fibrosis.
- 179 (2) "Low protein modified food product" means a product formulated 180 to have less than one gram of protein per serving and intended for the 181 dietary treatment of an inherited metabolic disease under the direction 182 of a physician.
 - (3) "Amino acid modified preparation" means a product intended for the dietary treatment of an inherited metabolic disease under the direction of a physician.
 - (4) "Specialized formula" means a nutritional formula [for children up to age twelve] that is exempt from the general requirements for nutritional labeling under the statutory and regulatory guidelines of the federal Food and Drug Administration and is intended for use solely under medical supervision in the dietary management of specific diseases.
 - (b) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state shall provide coverage for amino acid modified preparations and low protein modified food products for the treatment of inherited metabolic diseases if the amino acid modified preparations or low protein modified food products are prescribed for the therapeutic treatment of inherited metabolic diseases and are administered under the direction of a physician.
 - (c) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state shall provide coverage for specialized formulas when such specialized formulas are medically necessary for the treatment of a

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- 206 disease or condition and are administered under the direction of a physician.
- 208 (d) Such policy shall provide coverage for such preparations, food 209 products and formulas on the same basis as outpatient prescription 210 drugs.
- Sec. 20. Section 38a-492k of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2022*):
- 213 (a) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of the 214 type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 215 delivered, issued for delivery, amended, renewed or continued in this 216 state shall provide coverage for colorectal cancer screening and 217 diagnosis, including, but not limited to, (1) an annual fecal occult blood 218 test, and (2) colonoscopy, flexible sigmoidoscopy or radiologic imaging, 219 in accordance with the recommendations established by the American Cancer Society, based on the ages, family histories and frequencies 220 221 provided in the recommendations. Except as specified in subsection (b) 222 of this section, benefits under this section shall be subject to the same 223 terms and conditions applicable to all other benefits under such policies.
- (b) No such policy shall impose:
- 225 (1) A deductible for a procedure that a physician initially undertakes 226 as a screening <u>or diagnostic</u> colonoscopy or [a screening] 227 sigmoidoscopy; or
- 228 (2) A coinsurance, copayment, deductible or other out-of-pocket 229 expense for any additional colonoscopy ordered in a policy year by a 230 physician for an insured. The provisions of this subdivision shall not 231 apply to a high deductible health plan as that term is used in subsection 232 (f) of section 38a-493.
- Sec. 21. Section 38a-518k of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2022*):

- (a) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, amended, renewed or continued in this state shall provide coverage for colorectal cancer screening and diagnosis, including, but not limited to, (1) an annual fecal occult blood test, and (2) colonoscopy, flexible sigmoidoscopy or radiologic imaging, in accordance with the recommendations established by the American Cancer Society, based on the ages, family histories and frequencies provided in the recommendations. Except as specified in subsection (b) of this section, benefits under this section shall be subject to the same terms and conditions applicable to all other benefits under such policies.
- 246 (b) No such policy shall impose:

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- 247 (1) A deductible for a procedure that a physician initially undertakes 248 as a screening <u>or diagnostic</u> colonoscopy or [a screening] 249 sigmoidoscopy; or
 - (2) A coinsurance, copayment, deductible or other out-of-pocket expense for any additional colonoscopy ordered in a policy year by a physician for an insured. The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to a high deductible health plan as that term is used in subsection (f) of section 38a-520.
- Sec. 22. Section 38a-498 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1*, 2022):
- 257 (a) (1) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of 258 the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), [(6), (10),] (11) and (12) of 259 section 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or 260 continued in this state shall provide coverage for medically necessary 261 ambulance services for persons covered by the policy at an in-network 262 level, including an in-network level of cost-sharing. The hospital policy 263 shall be primary if a person is covered under more than one policy. The 264 policy shall, as a minimum requirement, cover such services whenever 265 any person covered by the contract is transported, when medically

266	necessary, by ambulance: [to]		
267	(A) To a hospital; [. Such] or		
268	(B) From a hospital to such person's place of residence.		
269	(2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the benefits required		
270	under this section shall be subject to any policy provision which applies		
271	to other services covered by [such] the policies that are subject to this		
272	section. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, such		
273	policies shall not be required to provide benefits in excess of the		
274	maximum allowable rate established by the Department of Public		
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276	(b) (1) Each such individual health insurance policy shall provide that		
277	any payment by such company, corporation or center for emergency		
278	ambulance services under coverage required by this section shall be		
279	paid directly to the ambulance provider rendering such service if such		
280	provider has complied with the provisions of this subsection and has		
281	not received payment for such service from any other source.		
282	(2) Any ambulance provider submitting a bill for direct payment		
283	pursuant to this section shall [stamp the following statement on the face		
284	of each bill: "NOTICE: This bill subject to mandatory assignment		
285	pursuant to Connecticut general statutes".] indicate that such bill is		
286	subject to assignment by:		
287	(A) Stamping such indication on such bill if such bill is submitted on		
288	paper; or		
289	(B) Including such indication in such bill if such bill is submitted by		
290	electronic means.		
291	(3) This subsection shall not apply to any transaction between an		
292	ambulance provider and an insurance company, hospital service		
293	corporation, medical service corporation, health care center or other		

entity if the parties have entered into a contract providing for direct

- 295 payment.
- Sec. 23. Section 38a-525 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2022*):
- 298 (a) (1) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the 299 type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), [(6),] (11) and (12) of section 300 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued 301 in this state shall provide coverage for medically necessary ambulance 302 services for persons covered by the policy at an in-network level, 303 including an in-network level of cost-sharing. The hospital policy shall 304 be primary if a person is covered under more than one policy. The policy 305 shall, as a minimum requirement, cover such services whenever any 306 person covered by the contract is transported, when medically 307 necessary, by ambulance: [to]
- 308 (A) To a hospital; [. Such] or
- 309 (B) From a hospital to such person's place of residence.
- 310 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the benefits required under this section shall be subject to any policy provision which applies to other services covered by [such] the policies that are subject to this section. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, such policies shall not be required to provide benefits in excess of the maximum allowable rate established by the Department of Public Health in accordance with section 19a-177.
 - (b) (1) Each such group health insurance policy shall provide that any payment by such company, corporation or center for emergency ambulance services under coverage required by this section shall be paid directly to the ambulance provider rendering such service if such provider has complied with the provisions of this subsection and has not received payment for such service from any other source.
- 323 (2) Any ambulance provider submitting a bill for direct payment 324 pursuant to this section shall [stamp the following statement on the face

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- of each bill: "NOTICE: This bill subject to mandatory assignment
- pursuant to Connecticut general statutes".] indicate that such bill is
- 327 <u>subject to assignment by:</u>
- 328 (A) Stamping such indication on such bill if such bill is submitted on
- 329 paper; or
- (B) Including such indication in such bill if such bill is submitted by
- 331 electronic means.
- 332 (3) This subsection shall not apply to any transaction between an
- 333 ambulance provider and an insurance company, hospital service
- 334 corporation, medical service corporation, health care center or other
- entity if the parties have entered into a contract providing for direct
- 336 payment.
- Sec. 24. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2021) Not later than January 1,
- 338 2022, the Insurance Commissioner shall, within available
- appropriations, establish a program to advance breast health and breast
- 340 cancer awareness, and promote greater understanding of the
- importance of early breast cancer detection, in this state. As part of the
- 342 program, the commissioner shall, at a minimum, provide outreach to
- individuals, including, but not limited to, young women of color, in this
- 344 state regarding the importance of breast health and early breast cancer
- 345 detection.
- Sec. 25. Section 38a-503 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2022*):
- 348 (a) For purposes of this section:
- 349 (1) "Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System" or "HCPCS"
- means the billing codes used by Medicare and overseen by the federal
- 351 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services that are based on the
- 352 current procedural technology codes developed by the American
- 353 Medical Association; and

354	(2) "Mammogram" means mammographic examination or breast		
355	tomosynthesis, including, but not limited to, a procedure with a HCPCS		
356	code of 77051, 77052, 77055, 77056, 77057, 77063, 77065, 77066, 77067,		
357	G0202, G0204, G0206 or G0279, or any subsequent corresponding code		
358	(b) (1) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of		
359	the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (10), (11) and (12) of section		
360	38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued		
361	in this state shall provide benefits for diagnostic and screening		
362	mammograms [to any woman covered under the policy] for insureds		
363	that are at least equal to the following minimum requirements:		
364	(A) A baseline mammogram, which may be provided by breast		
365	tomosynthesis at the option of the [woman covered under the policy]		
366	insured, for [any woman] an insured who is: [thirty-five]		
367	(i) Thirty-five to thirty-nine years of age, inclusive; [and] or		
368	(ii) Younger than thirty-five years of age if the insured is believed to		
369	be at increased risk for breast cancer due to:		
370	(I) A family history of breast cancer;		
371	(II) Positive genetic testing for the harmful variant of breast cancer		
372	gene one, breast cancer gene two or any other gene variant that		
373	materially increases the insured's risk for breast cancer;		
374	(III) Prior treatment for a childhood cancer if the course of treatment		
375	for the childhood cancer included radiation therapy directed at the		
376	<u>chest;</u>		
377	(IV) Prior or ongoing hormone treatment as part of a gender		
378	reassignment; or		
379	(V) Other indications as determined by the insured's physician or		
380	advanced practice registered nurse; and		
381	(B) [a mammogram] Mammograms, which may be provided by		

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382 383	breast tomosynthesis at the option of the [woman covered under th policy] <u>insured</u> , every year for [any woman] <u>an insured</u> who is: [forty]	
384	(i) Forty years of age or older; or	
385 386	(ii) Younger than forty years of age if the insured is believed to be at increased risk for breast cancer due to:	
387	(I) A family history, or prior personal history, of breast cancer;	
388 389 390	(II) Positive genetic testing for the harmful variant of breast cancer gene one, breast cancer gene two or any other gene that materially increases the insured's risk for breast cancer;	
391 392 393	(III) Prior treatment for a childhood cancer if the course of treatment for the childhood cancer included radiation therapy directed at the chest;	
394 395	(IV) Prior or ongoing hormone treatment as part of a gender reassignment; or	
396 397	(V) Other indications as determined by the insured's physician or advanced practice registered nurse.	
398	(2) Such policy shall provide additional benefits for:	
399 400	(A) Comprehensive [ultrasound screening] <u>diagnostic and screening</u> <u>ultrasounds</u> of an entire breast or breasts if:	
401 402 403	(i) A mammogram demonstrates heterogeneous or dense breast tissue based on the Breast Imaging Reporting and Data System established by the American College of Radiology; <u>or</u>	
404 405	(ii) [a woman] <u>An insured</u> is believed to be at increased risk for breast cancer due to:	
406	(I) A family history, or prior personal history, of breast cancer; [,]	
407	(II) [positive] Positive genetic testing [, or] for the harmful variant of	

408	breast cancer gene one, breast cancer gene two or any other gene that		
409	materially increases the insured's risk for breast cancer;		
410	(III) Prior treatment for a childhood cancer if the course of treatment		
411	for the childhood cancer included radiation therapy directed at the		
412	chest;		
413	(IV) Prior or ongoing hormone treatment as part of a gender		
414	reassignment; or		
415	[(III) other] (V) Other indications as determined by [a woman's] the		
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417	screening is recommended by a woman's treating physician for a		
418	woman who (I) is forty years of age or older, (II) has a family history or		
419	prior personal history of breast cancer, or (III) has a prior personal		
420	history of breast disease diagnosed through biopsy as benign; and]		
421	(B) [Magnetic] Diagnostic and screening magnetic resonance imaging		
422	of an entire breast or breasts:		
423	(i) [in] In accordance with guidelines established by the American		
424	Cancer Society for an insured who is thirty-five years of age or older; or		
425	(ii) If an insured is younger than thirty-five years of age and believed		
426	to be at increased risk for breast cancer due to:		
427	(I) A family history, or prior personal history, of breast cancer;		
428	(II) Positive genetic testing for the harmful variant of breast cancer		
429	gene one, breast cancer gene two or any other gene that materially		
430	increases the insured's risk for breast cancer;		
431	(III) Prior treatment for a childhood cancer if the course of treatment		
432	for the childhood cancer included radiation therapy directed at the		
433	chest;		
434	(IV) Prior or ongoing hormone treatment as part of a gender		
435	reassignment; or		

436	(V) Other indications as determined by the insured's physician or		
437	advanced practice registered nurse;		
438	(C) Breast biopsies;		
439	(D) Prophylactic mastectomies for an insured who is believed to be at		
440	increased risk for breast cancer due to positive genetic testing for the		
441	harmful variant of breast cancer gene one, breast cancer gene two or any		
442	other gene that materially increases the insured's risk for breast cancer;		
443	and		
444	(E) Breast reconstructive surgery for an insured who has undergone:		
445	(i) A prophylactic mastectomy; or		
446	(ii) A mastectomy as part of the insured's course of treatment for		
447	breast cancer.		
448	(c) Benefits under this section shall be subject to any policy provisions		
449	that apply to other services covered by such policy, except that no such		
450	policy shall impose a coinsurance, copayment, deductible or other out-		
451	of-pocket expense for such benefits. The provisions of this subsection		
452	shall apply to a high deductible health plan, as that term is used in		
453	subsection (f) of section 38a-493, to the maximum extent permitted by		
454	federal law, except if such plan is used to establish a medical savings		
455	account or an Archer MSA pursuant to Section 220 of the Internal		
456	Revenue Code of 1986 or any subsequent corresponding internal		
457	revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, or a		
458	health savings account pursuant to Section 223 of said Internal Revenue		
459	Code, as amended from time to time, the provisions of this subsection		
460	shall apply to such plan to the maximum extent that (1) is permitted by		
461	federal law, and (2) does not disqualify such account for the deduction		
462	allowed under said Section 220 or 223, as applicable.		
463	(d) Each mammography report provided to [a patient] an insured		
464	shall include information about breast density, based on the Breast		
465	Imaging Reporting and Data System established by the American		

- College of Radiology. Where applicable, such report shall include the 466 467 following notice: "If your mammogram demonstrates that you have 468 dense breast tissue, which could hide small abnormalities, you might 469 benefit from supplementary screening tests, which can include a breast 470 ultrasound screening or a breast MRI examination, or both, depending 471 on your individual risk factors. A report of your mammography results, 472 which contains information about your breast density, has been sent to 473 your physician's or advanced practice registered nurse's office and you 474 should contact your physician or advanced practice registered nurse if 475 you have any questions or concerns about this report.".
- Sec. 26. Section 38a-530 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2022*):
- 478 (a) For purposes of this section:
- (1) "Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System" or "HCPCS" means the billing codes used by Medicare and overseen by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services that are based on the current procedural technology codes developed by the American Medical Association; and
 - (2) "Mammogram" means mammographic examination or breast tomosynthesis, including, but not limited to, a procedure with a HCPCS code of 77051, 77052, 77055, 77056, 77057, 77063, 77065, 77066, 77067, G0202, G0204, G0206 or G0279, or any subsequent corresponding code.
- (b) (1) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (10), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state shall provide benefits for diagnostic and screening mammograms [to any woman covered under the policy] for insureds that are at least equal to the following minimum requirements:
 - (A) A baseline mammogram, which may be provided by breast tomosynthesis at the option of the [woman covered under the policy] insured, for [any woman] an insured who is: [thirty-five]

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497	(i) Thirty-five to thirty-nine years of age, inclusive; [and] or	
498	(ii) Younger than thirty-five years of age if the insured is believed to	
499	be at increased risk for breast cancer due to:	
500	(I) A family history of breast cancer;	
501	(II) Positive genetic testing for the harmful variant of breast cancer	
502	gene one, breast cancer gene two or any other gene variant that	
503	materially increases the insured's risk for breast cancer;	
504	(III) Prior treatment for a childhood cancer if the course of treatment	
505	for the childhood cancer included radiation therapy directed at the	
506	chest;	
507	(IV) Prior or ongoing hormone treatment as part of a gender	
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509	(V) Other indications as determined by the insured's physician or	
510	advanced practice registered nurse; and	
511	(B) [a mammogram] Mammograms, which may be provided by	
512	breast tomosynthesis at the option of the [woman covered under the	
513	policy] <u>insured</u> , every year for [any woman] <u>an insured</u> who is: [forty]	
514	(i) Forty years of age or older; or	
515	(ii) Younger than forty years of age if the insured is believed to be at	
516	increased risk for breast cancer due to:	
517	(I) A family history, or prior personal history, of breast cancer;	
518	(II) Positive genetic testing for the harmful variant of breast cancer	
519	gene one, breast cancer gene two or any other gene that materially	
520	increases the insured's risk for breast cancer;	
521	(III) Prior treatment for a childhood cancer if the course of treatment	
522	for the childhood cancer included radiation therapy directed at the	

523	chest;
524 525	(IV) Prior or ongoing hormone treatment as part of a gender reassignment; or
526 527	(V) Other indications as determined by the insured's physician or advanced practice registered nurse.
528	(2) Such policy shall provide additional benefits for:
529 530	(A) Comprehensive [ultrasound screening] <u>diagnostic and screening</u> <u>ultrasounds</u> of an entire breast or breasts if:
531532533	(i) A mammogram demonstrates heterogeneous or dense breast tissue based on the Breast Imaging Reporting and Data System established by the American College of Radiology; <u>or</u>
534 535	(ii) [a woman] <u>An insured</u> is believed to be at increased risk for breast cancer due to:
536	(I) \underline{A} family history, or prior personal history, of breast cancer; [,]
537538539	(II) [positive] <u>Positive</u> genetic testing [, or] <u>for the harmful variant of breast cancer gene one, breast cancer gene two or any other gene that materially increases the insured's risk for breast cancer;</u>
540541542	(III) Prior treatment for a childhood cancer if the course of treatment for the childhood cancer included radiation therapy directed at the chest;
543 544	(IV) Prior or ongoing hormone treatment as part of a gender reassignment; or
545 546 547 548	[(III) other] (V) Other indications as determined by [a woman's] the insured's physician or advanced practice registered nurse; [or (iii) such screening is recommended by a woman's treating physician for a woman who (I) is forty years of age or older, (II) has a family history or
549	prior personal history of breast cancer, or (III) has a prior personal

550	history of breast disease diagnosed through biopsy as benign; and]		
551 552	(B) [Magnetic] <u>Diagnostic and screening magnetic</u> resonance imaging of an entire breast or breasts:		
553 554	(i) [in] In accordance with guidelines established by the American Cancer Society for an insured who is thirty-five years of age or older; or		
555	(ii) If an insured is younger than thirty-five years of age and believed		
556	to be at increased risk for breast cancer due to:		
557	(I) A family history, or prior personal history, of breast cancer;		
558	(II) Positive genetic testing for the harmful variant of breast cancer		
559	gene one, breast cancer gene two or any other gene that materially		
560	increases the insured's risk for breast cancer;		
561	(III) Prior treatment for a childhood cancer if the course of treatment		
562	for the childhood cancer included radiation therapy directed at the		
563	chest;		
564	(IV) Prior or ongoing hormone treatment as part of a gender		
565	reassignment; or		
566	(V) Other indications as determined by the insured's physician or		
567	advanced practice registered nurse;		
568	(C) Breast biopsies;		
569	(D) Prophylactic mastectomies for an insured who is believed to be at		
570	increased risk for breast cancer due to positive genetic testing for the		
571	harmful variant of breast cancer gene one, breast cancer gene two or any		
572	other gene that materially increases the insured's risk for breast cancer;		
573	<u>and</u>		
574	(E) Breast reconstructive surgery for an insured who has undergone:		
575	(i) A prophylactic mastectomy; or		

- (ii) A mastectomy as part of the insured's course of treatment for breast cancer.
- (c) Benefits under this section shall be subject to any policy provisions that apply to other services covered by such policy, except that no such policy shall impose a coinsurance, copayment, deductible or other out-of-pocket expense for such benefits. The provisions of this subsection shall apply to a high deductible health plan, as that term is used in subsection (f) of section 38a-520, to the maximum extent permitted by federal law, except if such plan is used to establish a medical savings account or an Archer MSA pursuant to Section 220 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, or a health savings account pursuant to Section 223 of said Internal Revenue Code, as amended from time to time, the provisions of this subsection shall apply to such plan to the maximum extent that (1) is permitted by federal law, and (2) does not disqualify such account for the deduction allowed under said Section 220 or 223, as applicable.
 - (d) Each mammography report provided to [a patient] an insured shall include information about breast density, based on the Breast Imaging Reporting and Data System established by the American College of Radiology. Where applicable, such report shall include the following notice: "If your mammogram demonstrates that you have dense breast tissue, which could hide small abnormalities, you might benefit from supplementary screening tests, which can include a breast ultrasound screening or a breast MRI examination, or both, depending on your individual risk factors. A report of your mammography results, which contains information about your breast density, has been sent to your physician's or advanced practice registered nurse's office and you should contact your physician or advanced practice registered nurse if you have any questions or concerns about this report."
 - Sec. 27. Section 19a-193a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2022*):

- 608 (a) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section and subject to 609 the provisions of sections 19a-177, 38a-498, as amended by this act, and 610 38a-525, as amended by this act, any person who receives emergency medical treatment services or transportation services from a licensed 611 612 ambulance service, certified ambulance service or paramedic intercept 613 service shall be liable to such ambulance service for the reasonable and 614 necessary costs of providing such services, irrespective of whether such 615 person agreed or consented to such liability.
 - (b) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, any person who receives medical services or transport services under nonemergency conditions from a mobile integrated health care program shall be liable to such mobile health care integrated program for the reasonable and necessary costs of providing such services.
 - (c) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any person who receives: [emergency]
- (1) Emergency medical treatment services or transportation services from a licensed ambulance service, certified ambulance service, paramedic intercept service or mobile integrated health care program for an injury arising out of and in the course of such person's employment as defined in section 31-275; [.] or
 - (2) Transportation services from a licensed ambulance service, certified ambulance service or paramedic intercept service if such service reasonably believes that such transportation services are nonemergency transportation services, unless such service, before providing such transportation services:
- 633 (A) Discloses to such person the potential cost to such person if such 634 transportation services are nonemergency transportation services; and
- 635 <u>(B) Receives written consent from such person to provide such</u> 636 transportation services.
- 637 Sec. 28. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2021) (a) As used in this section,

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- "mammogram" has the same meaning as provided in sections 38a-503 and 38a-530 of the general statutes, as amended by this act.
- (b) Each health care provider who provides a mammogram to a patient shall provide to the patient:
- 642 (1) Advance notice disclosing whether a proposed test or 643 examination to further investigate the results of the mammogram is:
- (A) An elective test or examination; and
- (B) Covered under the terms of the patient's health coverage; and
- (2) An opportunity to determine whether the cost of a proposed test
 or examination to further investigate the results of the mammogram is
 covered under the terms of the patient's health coverage.
 - (c) The Commissioner of Public Health may adopt regulations, in consultation with the Insurance Commissioner and in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 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	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 2	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 3	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 4	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 5	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 6	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 7	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 8	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 9	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 10	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 11	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 12	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 13	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 14	January 1, 2022	New section

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Sec. 15	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 16	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 17	July 1, 2021	New section
Sec. 18	January 1, 2022	38a-492c
Sec. 19	January 1, 2022	38a-518c
Sec. 20	January 1, 2022	38a-492k
Sec. 21	January 1, 2022	38a-518k
Sec. 22	January 1, 2022	38a-498
Sec. 23	January 1, 2022	38a-525
Sec. 24	October 1, 2021	New section
Sec. 25	January 1, 2022	38a-503
Sec. 26	January 1, 2022	38a-530
Sec. 27	January 1, 2022	19a-193a
Sec. 28	October 1, 2021	New section

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