

1 AN ACT relating to genetic counseling and testing for colorectal cancer.

2 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 304.17A-257 is amended to read as follows:

4 (1) A health benefit plan issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2016, shall provide
5 coverage for all colorectal cancer examinations and laboratory tests specified in
6 current American Cancer Society guidelines for complete colorectal cancer
7 screening of asymptomatic individuals as follows:

8 (a) Coverage or benefits shall be provided for all colorectal screening
9 examinations and tests that are administered at a frequency identified in the
10 most recent version of the American Cancer Society guidelines for complete
11 colorectal cancer screening; and

12 (b) The covered individual shall be:

13 1. Fifty (50) years of age or older; or

14 2. Less than fifty (50) years of age and at high risk for colorectal cancer
15 according to current colorectal cancer screening guidelines of the
16 American Cancer Society.

17 (2) ***A health benefit plan issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2017, shall***
18 ***provide coverage for genetic counseling and genetic testing for colorectal cancer***
19 ***for asymptomatic individuals with a family history of colorectal cancer as***
20 ***specified in current American Cancer Society guidelines. For the purpose of this***
21 ***subsection, family includes birth father and mother and brother, sister, aunt, and***
22 ***uncle related by blood.***

23 **(3)** Coverage under this section shall not be subject to a deductible or coinsurance for
24 services received from participating providers under the health benefit plan.