

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 284

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to insurance; providing coverage and
8 benefits for certain cancer treatment; defining
9 requirements for compression garments; providing for
10 codification; and providing an effective date.

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

12 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
13 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 6060.2a of Title 36, unless
14 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

15 A. Any health benefit plan that is offered, issued or renewed on
16 or after the effective date of this act shall provide coverage for
17 the diagnosis, evaluation, and treatment of lymphedema. The coverage
18 shall include benefits for equipment, supplies, complex decongestive
19 therapy, gradient compression garments, and self-management
20 education and training if the treatment is determined to be
21 medically necessary, and is provided by a licensed occupational or
22 physical therapist or licensed nurse that has experience providing
23 this treatment or other licensed health care professional whose
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1 treatment of lymphedema is within the professional's scope of
2 practice.

3 B. The same deductibles, coinsurance, and other limitations as
4 apply to similar services covered under the health benefit plan
5 apply to coverage for the diagnosis, evaluation, and treatment of
6 lymphedema required to be covered under this section. Nothing in
7 this section requires a health benefit plan to provide a separate
8 set of benefit limitations or maximums for the diagnosis, evaluation
9 or treatment of lymphedema.

10 C. For purposes of this section, gradient compression garments:

11 1. Require a prescription;

12 2. Are custom-fit for the covered individual; and

13 3. Do not include disposable medical supplies such as over-the-
14 counter compression or elastic knee-high or other stocking products.

15 D. "Health benefit plan" means any plan or arrangement as
16 defined in subsection C of Section 6060.4 of Title 36 of the
17 Oklahoma Statutes.

18 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

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