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AN ACT to amend the insurance law, in relation to coverage of prescriptions obtained by mail order or at a non-retail pharmacy

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1     Section 1. The opening paragraph of paragraph 28 of subsection (i) of  
2     section 3216 of the insurance law, as added by chapter 589 of the laws  
3     of 2011, is designated subparagraph (A) and a new subparagraph (B) is  
4     added to read as follows:

5     (B) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS PARAGRAPH, IF A PRES-  
6     CRIBER, AFTER CONSULTING WITH THE INSURER REGARDING THE APPROPRIATENESS  
7     OF MAIL ORDER DELIVERY GIVEN: (I) THE RESIDENCE OR DELIVERY LOCATION OF  
8     THE INSURED; (II) THE MEDICAL CONDITION OF THE INSURED; (III) THE STOR-  
9     AGE REQUIREMENTS OF THE DRUG; (IV) THE AVAILABILITY OF THE INSURED TO  
10    RECEIVE THE PRESCRIPTION; OR (V) THE INSURED'S ABILITY TO COMPREHEND  
11    PHARMACEUTICAL GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT OVER THE TELEPHONE, DETERMINES THAT  
12    A DRUG AS PRESCRIBED ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS IS MOST APPROPRIATELY FILLED  
13    AT A RETAIL LOCATION, PROVIDED THAT AN IN-NETWORK RETAIL PHARMACY OF THE  
14    PATIENT'S CHOOSING AGREES TO THE SAME REIMBURSEMENT AMOUNT AND IS ABLE  
15    TO FILL THE PRESCRIPTION, THE PRESCRIBER'S DETERMINATION SHALL BE FINAL.

16    S 2. The opening paragraph of paragraph 18 of subsection (1) of  
17    section 3221 of the insurance law is designated subparagraph (A) and a  
18    new subparagraph (B) is added to read as follows:

19    (B) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS PARAGRAPH, IF A PRES-  
20    CRIBER, AFTER CONSULTING WITH THE INSURER REGARDING THE APPROPRIATENESS  
21    OF MAIL ORDER DELIVERY GIVEN: (I) THE RESIDENCE OR DELIVERY LOCATION OF  
22    THE INSURED; (II) THE MEDICAL CONDITION OF THE INSURED; (III) THE STOR-  
23    AGE REQUIREMENTS OF THE DRUG; (IV) THE AVAILABILITY OF THE INSURED TO  
24    RECEIVE THE PRESCRIPTION; OR (V) THE INSURED'S ABILITY TO COMPREHEND  
25    PHARMACEUTICAL GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT OVER THE TELEPHONE, DETERMINES THAT  
26    A DRUG AS PRESCRIBED ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS IS MOST APPROPRIATELY FILLED

EXPLANATION--Matter in *ITALICS* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[ ] is old law to be omitted.

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1 AT A RETAIL LOCATION, PROVIDED THAT AN IN-NETWORK RETAIL PHARMACY OF THE  
2 PATIENT'S CHOOSING AGREES TO THE SAME REIMBURSEMENT AMOUNT AND IS ABLE  
3 TO FILL THE PRESCRIPTION, THE PRESCRIBER'S DETERMINATION SHALL BE FINAL.

4 S 3. The opening paragraph of subsection (kk) of section 4303 of the  
5 insurance law is designated paragraph 1 and a new paragraph 2 is added  
6 to read as follows:

7 (2) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS SUBSECTION, IF A PRES-  
8 CRIBER, AFTER CONSULTING WITH THE INSURER REGARDING THE APPROPRIATENESS  
9 OF MAIL ORDER DELIVERY GIVEN: (A) THE RESIDENCE OR DELIVERY LOCATION OF  
10 THE COVERED PERSON; (B) THE MEDICAL CONDITION OF THE COVERED PERSON; (C)  
11 THE STORAGE REQUIREMENTS OF THE DRUG; (D) THE AVAILABILITY OF THE  
12 COVERED PERSON TO RECEIVE THE PRESCRIPTION; OR (E) THE COVERED PERSON'S  
13 ABILITY TO COMPREHEND PHARMACEUTICAL GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT OVER THE TELE-  
14 PHONE, DETERMINES THAT A DRUG AS PRESCRIBED ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS IS  
15 MOST APPROPRIATELY FILLED AT A RETAIL LOCATION, PROVIDED THAT AN IN-NET-  
16 WORK RETAIL PHARMACY OF THE PATIENT'S CHOOSING AGREES TO THE SAME  
17 REIMBURSEMENT AMOUNT AND IS ABLE TO FILL THE PRESCRIPTION, THE  
18 PRESCRIBER'S DETERMINATION SHALL BE FINAL.

19 S 4. This act shall take effect immediately.