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Introduced by Sens. ADDABBO, CLEARE, COONEY, SALAZAR, SKOUFIS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Insurance

AN ACT to amend the insurance law and the social services law, in relation to mandatory health insurance coverage for follow-up screening or diagnostic services for lung cancer

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subsection (i) of section 3216 of the insurance law is amended by adding a new paragraph 40 to read as follows:

(40) (A) Every policy which provides medical, major medical, or similar comprehensive-type coverage shall provide coverage for follow-up screening or diagnostic services for lung cancer when recommended by a health care provider acting within the provider's scope of practice pursuant to title eight of the education law.

(B) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any policy that provides coverage required by this paragraph shall not impose patient cost sharing for follow-up screening or diagnostic services for lung cancer.

§ 2. Subsection (l) of section 3221 of the insurance law is amended by adding a new paragraph 23 to read as follows:

(23) (A) Every policy which provides medical, major medical, or similar comprehensive-type coverage shall provide coverage for follow-up screening or diagnostic services for lung cancer when recommended by a health care provider acting within the provider's scope of practice pursuant to title eight of the education law.

(B) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any policy that provides coverage required by this paragraph shall not impose patient cost sharing for follow-up screening or diagnostic services for lung cancer.

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

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§ 3. Section 4303 of the insurance law is amended by adding a new subsection (ww) to read as follows:

(ww) (1) Every policy which provides medical, major medical, or similar comprehensive-type coverage shall provide coverage for follow-up screening or diagnostic services for lung cancer when recommended by a health care provider acting within the provider's scope of practice pursuant to title eight of the education law.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any policy that provides coverage required by this subsection shall not impose patient cost sharing for follow-up screening or diagnostic services for lung cancer.

§ 4. Subdivision 2 of section 365-a of the social services law is amended by adding a new paragraph (nn) to read as follows:

(nn) (i) follow-up screening or diagnostic services for lung cancer when recommended by a health care provider acting within the provider's scope of practice pursuant to title eight of the education law.

(ii) notwithstanding any other provision of law, coverage required by this paragraph shall not impose patient cost sharing for follow-up screening or diagnostic services for lung cancer.

§ 5. This act shall take effect January 1, 2027 and shall apply to all policies and contracts issued, renewed, modified, altered or amended on or after such date.