

304.17A-148 Coverage for diabetes.

- (1) All health benefit plans issued or renewed on or after July 15, 1998, shall provide coverage for equipment, supplies, outpatient self-management training and education, including medical nutrition therapy, and all medications necessary for the treatment of insulin-dependent diabetes, insulin-using diabetes, gestational diabetes, and noninsulin-using diabetes if prescribed by a health care provider legally authorized to prescribe the items.
- (2) Diabetes outpatient self-management training and education shall be provided by a certified, registered, or licensed health care professional with expertise in diabetes, as deemed necessary by a health care provider.
- (3)
 - (a) The benefits provided in this section shall be subject to the same annual deductibles or coinsurance established for all other covered benefits within a given health benefit plan.
 - (b) Private third-party payors may not reduce or eliminate coverage due to the requirements of this section.

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