

REFERENCE TITLE: step therapy; exclusion; medical equipment

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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 20-3652, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO STEP THERAPY.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 20-3652, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 20-3652. Applicability

5 A. This article applies to:

6 1. Any health care plan that is subject to state law regulating
7 insurance, that provides prescription drug benefits and that includes
8 coverage for a step therapy protocol regardless of how that coverage is
9 described.

10 2. A contractor, agent or similar entity that implements coverage
11 for a step therapy protocol on behalf of a health care plan, including a
12 pharmacy benefit manager or utilization review agent.

13 B. THIS ARTICLE DOES NOT APPLY TO A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER'S ORDER
14 FOR DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT THAT REQUIRES FREQUENT AND SUBSTANTIAL
15 SERVICE. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, "DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT"
16 HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN 42 CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS SECTION
17 414.202.