A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to continuous glucose monitors.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2023 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 677.

SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, “continuous glucose monitor” means a device that continually measures interstitial glucose levels.

(2) A physician may, in the discretion of the physician, prescribe a continuous glucose monitor, whether or not the physician specializes in endocrinology, to a patient diagnosed with Type I or Type II diabetes that requires treatment with insulin.

(3) The Oregon Medical Board may adopt rules to carry out this section. In adopting rules under this subsection, the board may encourage a physician to complete training related to continuous glucose monitoring prior to prescribing as described in subsection (2) of this section.

SECTION 3. Section 4 of this 2023 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 414.

SECTION 4. Notwithstanding ORS 414.065 and 414.690, medical assistance shall include as a pharmacy benefit continuous glucose monitors, as defined in section 2 of this 2023 Act, prescribed by a licensed physician for a recipient of medical assistance.

SECTION 5. Section 6 of this 2023 Act is added to and made a part of the Insurance Code.

SECTION 6. (1) Whenever a policy for health insurance provides for payment or reimbursement for services that are within the scope of practice of a licensed physician, the insured under the policy is entitled, as a pharmacy benefit, to payment or reimbursement for the cost of a continuous glucose monitor, as defined in section 2 of this 2023 Act, prescribed by a licensed physician.

(2) This section is exempt from ORS 743A.001.

SECTION 7. Sections 4 and 6 of this 2023 Act apply to prescriptions issued on or after the effective date of this 2023 Act.

NOTE: Matter in boldfaced type in an amended section is new; matter [italic and bracketed] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in boldfaced type.

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