

ICSEW BILL ALERT

HB 1939

Colonoscopies- no cost sharing as result of a positive screening



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Why does this bill matter to you?

How does it apply to state employed women.

- Currently, health plans issued or renewed after July 1, 2008 must provide benefits or coverage for colorectal cancer examinations and laboratory tests for those at least 50 years old or less than 50 with a high-risk factors. However, if an individual opts for a noncolonoscopy screening test and receives a positive result, the next course of action is to get a colonoscopy. Currently, some health plans may include a cost sharing responsibility on behalf of the enrollee.
- If this bill were to pass, as of January 1, 2023, a health carrier may not include enrollee cost sharing on colonoscopies performed as a result of positive noncolonoscopy preventive screening test.

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