

1971 Assembly Bill 1348

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AN ACT to create 200.26 (6) and 204.321 (2) (d) of the statutes, relating to requiring nonprofit service plans and group accident and sickness policies to provide for the hospital treatment of alcoholism.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 200.26 (6) of the statutes is created to read:

200.26 (6) HOSPITAL TREATMENT OF ALCOHOLISM. (a) Every contract issued by an organization and providing coverage for hospital treatment shall provide coverage for hospital treatment of alcoholism.

(b) In this subsection "hospital" means a general hospital or special hospital as defined in s. 140.24 (1) (c) providing inpatient alcoholic treatment and licensed under s. 140.26.

(c) This subsection does not apply to contracts individually underwritten for a specific individual and members of his family.

SECTION 2. 204.321 (2) (d) of the statutes is created to read:

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204.321 (2) (d) 1. Each group accident and sickness policy shall provide coverage for hospital treatment of alcoholism.

2. In this subsection "hospital" has the meaning set forth in s. 200.26 (6) (b).

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This act applies to all non-profit service plan contracts and all group accident and sickness policies issued or renewed on or after the 91st day after publication.

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