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Description Health insurance coverage of treatment for aut	ism spectrum disorders			
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Description					
Health insurance coverage of treatment for autism spectrum disorders					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill requires all health insurance plans offered by the Group Insurance Board (GIB)m under Chapter 40 of the Wisconsin State Statutes to provide coverage for Autism Syndrome Disorder (ASD) which includes Autism, Asperger's syndrome and Pervasive Development Disorder not otherwise specified.

According to the GIB's consulting actuary, the estimated cost of this bill will be between \$3.45 and \$4.10 per member per month(pmpm). Using an estimated 162,000 members the current annual cost for the plans offered to state employees would range from \$6.7 million to \$8.0 million dollars annually. Using an estimated 30,000 members, the current annual cost for plans offered to local government employees would range from \$1.2 million to \$1.5 million.

In addition, the Department would would require an additional 0.2 permanent SEG funded FTE and would incur on-going annual administrative costs of approximately \$10,000 to cover costs associated with staff training and member inquiries.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

These program costs are expected to rise faster than the average for all medical claims in the future due to the increasing rate of diagnosis of ASD.