

Appendix B: Section 1103

SEC. 1103. IMMEDIATE INFORMATION THAT ALLOWS CONSUMERS TO IDENTIFY AFFORDABLE COVERAGE OPTIONS.

10 (a) INTERNET PORTAL TO AFFORDABLE COVERAGE

11 OPTIONS. —

12 (1) IMMEDIATE ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later

13 than July 1, 2010, the Secretary, in consultation with
14 the States, shall establish a mechanism, including an
15 Internet website, through which a resident of any
16 State may identify affordable health insurance coverage options in that State.

18 (2) CONNECTING TO AFFORDABLE COVERAGE. —

19 An Internet website established under paragraph (1)
20 shall, to the extent practicable, provide ways for residents of any State to receive information on at least
22 the following coverage options:

23 (A) Health insurance coverage offered by
24 health insurance issuers, other than coverage that

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1 provides reimbursement only for the treatment or
2 mitigation of—

3 (i) a single disease or condition; or

4 (ii) an unreasonably limited set of diseases or conditions (as determined by the
6 Secretary);

7 (B) Medicaid coverage under title XIX of
8 the Social Security Act.

9 (C) Coverage under title XXI of the Social
10 Security Act.

11 (D) A State health benefits high risk pool,
12 to the extent that such high risk pool is offered
13 in such State; and

14 (E) Coverage under a high risk pool under

15 *section 1101.*

16 *(b) ENHANCING COMPARATIVE PURCHASING OP*

ATIONS. —

18 *(1) IN GENERAL. —Not later than 60 days after*

19 *the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall*

20 *develop a standardized format to be used for the pres*

21 *entation of information relating to the coverage op*

22 *tions described in subsection (a) (2). Such format*

23 *shall, at a minimum, require the inclusion of infor*

24 *mation on the percentage of total premium revenue*

25 *expended on nonclinical costs (as reported under sec-*

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1 *tion 2718(a) of the Public Health Service Act), eligi*

2 *bility, availability, premium rates, and cost sharing*

3 *with respect to such coverage options and be con*

4 *sistent with the standards adopted for the uniform ex*

5 *planation of coverage as provided for in section 2715*

6 *of the Public Health Service Act.*

7 *(2) USE OF FORMAT. —The Secretary shall uti*

8 *lize the format developed under paragraph (1) in*

9 *compiling information concerning coverage options on*

10 *the Internet website established under subsection (a).*

11 *(c) AUTHORITY TO CONTRACT. —The Secretary may*

12 *carry out this section through contracts entered into with*

13 *qualified entities.*

SEC. 10102. AMENDMENTS TO SUBTITLE B.

(b) Section 1103(a) of this Act is amended—

5 *(1) in paragraph (1), by inserting ‘ ‘, or small*

6 *business in, ’ ’ after ‘ ‘residents of any’ ’ ; and*

7 *(2) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the*

8 *following:*

9 ‘ ‘(2) *CONNECTING TO AFFORDABLE COVERAGE.* —

10 *An Internet website established under paragraph (1)*
11 *shall, to the extent practicable, provide ways for resi12*
12 *dents of, and small businesses in, any State to receive*
13 *information on at least the following coverage options:*

14 ‘ ‘(A) *Health insurance coverage offered by*
15 *health insurance issuers, other than coverage that*
16 *provides reimbursement only for the treatment or*
17 *mitigation of—*

18 ‘ ‘(i) *a single disease or condition; or*

19 ‘ ‘(ii) *an unreasonably limited set of*
20 *diseases or conditions (as determined by the*
21 *Secretary).*

22 ‘ ‘(B) *Medicaid coverage under title XIX of*
23 *the Social Security Act.*

24 ‘ ‘(C) *Coverage under title XXI of the Social*
25 *Security Act.*

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1 ‘ ‘(D) *A State health benefits high risk pool,*
2 *to the extent that such high risk pool is offered*
3 *in such State; and*

4 ‘ ‘(E) *Coverage under a high risk pool under*
5 *section 1101.*

6 ‘ ‘(F) *Coverage within the small group mar7*
7 *ket for small businesses and their employees, in8*
8 *cluding reinsurance for early retirees under sec9*
9 *tion 1102, tax credits available under section*
10 *45R of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as*
11 *added by section 1421), and other information*
12 *specifically for small businesses regarding afford13*
13 *able health care options.’ ’.*