

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
17 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
21 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
5 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.’ ’.*