GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE MANDATORY CONVERSION PRIVILEGE MODEL ACT

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"Dependent" means a spouse, an unmarried child under the age of [nineteen (19)] years, an unmarried child who is a full-time student under the age of [insert maximum age] and who is financially dependent upon the employee or member, and an unmarried child of any age who is medically certified as disabled and dependent upon the employee or member.

- D. "Health benefit plan" means a policy, contract, certificate or agreement offered or issued by a health carrier to provide, deliver, arrange for, pay for or reimburse any of the costs of health care services.
- E. "Health care services" means serviceseisceA(e)-6.3 ()10.per

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Section 8. Information Requested by Health Carrier

A converted policy may include a provision permitting the health carrier to request information in advance of any premium due date of the policy of any individual covered under the policy as to whether:

- A. The individual is covered for similar benefits under another health benefit plan or any other plan or program;
- B. The individual is covered for similar benefits under any arrangement of coverage for individuals in a group, whether on an insured or uninsured basis; or
- C. Similar benefits are provided for or available to the individual in accordance with the requirements of any state or federal law.

Section 9. Exceptions to Guaranteed Renewal

A. A converted policy may permit the health carrier to refuse to renew the policy or the coverage of any individual covered under the policy for any of the following reasons only:

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- (c) Claims experience;
- (d) Receipt of health care;
- (e) Medical history;
- (f) Genetic information;
- (g) Evidence of insurability, including conditions arising out of acts of domestic violence; or
- (h) Disability.

Drafting Note: This definition tracks language contained in PHSA Section 2702(a), as amended by HIPAA.

"Network plan" means a health benefit plan issued by a health carrier under which the financing and delivery of health care services, including items and services paid for as health care services, are provided, in whole or in part, through a defined set of providers under contract with the health carrier.

Section 10. Level of Benefits to be Offered

A health carrier shall issue a converted policy that conforms to the requirements as prescribed by the commissioner.

Section 11. Excess Benefits

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coverage under the group health benefit plan, to have the same conversion rights as would apply had the employee's coverage under the group health benefit plan terminated at retirement by reason of termination of employment or membership.

- B. The conversion privilege provided in this Act shall be available to:
 - (1) The surviving spouse at the death of an employee or member, with respect to the spouse and any dependent children whose coverage under the group health benefit plan terminates by reason of th

Section 18. **Effective Date**

The provisions of this Act shall take effect [insert a date not less than twelve (12) months after the date of enactment] and shall apply to group health benefit plans delivered, issued for delivery or amended on or after this date.

Chronological Summary of Action (all references are to the Proceedings of the NAIC).

1976 Proc. 17, 10-11, 381, 386-387, 493, 494-499 (adopted). 2005 Proc. 1st Quarter 217, 262 (amended & adopted by parent committee). 2005 Proc. 2nd Quarter 49, 58-67 (reprinted and adopted by Plenary).