§ 1363.07. Annual update of comparative benefit matrix by health care service plan; Copies to be mailed to solicitors and employers; Availability of link to matrix on Web site [Inoperative; Operative date contingent]

- (a) Each health care service plan shall send copies of the comparative benefit matrix prepared pursuant to Section 1363.06 on an annual basis, or more frequently as the matrix is updated by the department and the Department of Insurance, to solicitors and solicitor firms and employers with whom the plan contracts.
- (b) Each health care service plan shall require its representatives and solicitors and soliciting firms with which it contracts, to provide a copy of the comparative benefit matrix to individuals when presenting any benefit package for examination or sale.
- (c) Each health care service plan that maintains an Internet Web site shall make a downloadable copy of the comparative benefit matrix described in Section 1363.06 available through a link on its site to the Internet Web sites of the department and the Department of Insurance.
  - (d)(1) This section shall be inoperative on January 1, 2014.
  - (2) If Section 5000A of the Internal Revenue Code, as added by Section 1501 of PPACA, is repealed or amended to no longer apply to the individual market, as defined in Section 2791 of the federal Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 300gg-91), this section shall become operative on the date of that repeal or amendment.
  - (3) For purposes of this subdivision, "PPACA" means the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111-148), as amended by the federal Health Care Education and Reconciliation Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-152), and any rules, regulations, or guidance issued pursuant to that law.

## HISTORY:

Added Stats 2002 ch 794 § 2 (AB 1401). Amended Stats 2004 ch 164 § 1 (AB 1596);

Stats 2013 ch 441 § 2 (AB 1180), effective October 1, 2013, inoperative January 1, 2014, operative date contingent.