

## **§ 1358.23. Waiver of time periods for preexisting conditions**

(a) If a Medicare supplement contract replaces another Medicare supplement policy or certificate, or contract, the replacing issuer shall waive any time periods applicable to preexisting conditions, waiting periods, elimination periods, and probationary periods in the new Medicare supplement contract for similar benefits to the extent that time was spent under the original policy or certificate, or contract.

(b) If a Medicare supplement contract replaces another Medicare supplement policy or certificate, or contract, that has been in effect for at least six months, the replacing contract shall not provide any time period applicable to preexisting conditions, waiting periods, elimination periods and probationary periods for benefits similar to those contained in the original policy or certificate, or contract.

### **HISTORY:**

Added Stats 2000 ch 706 § 2 (SB 764), effective January 1, 2001.

