

62D.103 SECOND OPINION RELATED TO CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY AND MENTAL HEALTH.

A health maintenance organization shall promptly evaluate the treatment needs of any enrollee who is seeking treatment for a problem related to chemical dependency or mental health conditions. In the event that the health maintenance organization or a participating provider determines that no type of structured treatment is necessary, the enrollee shall be immediately entitled to a second opinion paid for by the health maintenance organization, by a health care professional qualified in diagnosis and treatment of the problem and not affiliated with the health maintenance organization. The health maintenance organization or participating provider shall consider the second opinion but is not obligated to accept the conclusion of the second opinion. The health maintenance organization or participating provider shall document its consideration of the second opinion.

History: *1984 c 641 s 4*