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500.3811b Medicare supplement policies or certificates for newly eligible individuals after December 31, 2019; exceptions to standards and requirements.

Sec. 3811b. (1) This section applies to all Medicare supplement policies or certificates delivered or issued for delivery in this state to individuals newly eligible for Medicare after December 31, 2019. A policy or certificate that provides coverage of the Medicare part B deductible must not be advertised, solicited, delivered, or issued for delivery in this state as a Medicare supplement policy or certificate to individuals newly eligible for Medicare after December 31, 2019, unless it complies with the benefit standards provided in this section. Benefit plan standards applicable to Medicare supplement policies and certificates issued to individuals eligible for Medicare before January 1, 2020 remain subject to the requirements of section 3811a.

- (2) The standards and requirements of section 3811a apply to all Medicare supplement policies or certificates delivered or issued for delivery to individuals newly eligible for Medicare after December 31, 2019, with the following exceptions:
- (a) Standardized Medicare supplement benefit plan C is redesignated as plan D and must provide the benefits contained in section 3811a(6)(c), but must not provide coverage for 100% or any portion of the Medicare part B deductible.
- (b) Standardized Medicare supplement benefit plan F is redesignated as plan G and must provide the benefits contained in section 3811a(6)(e), as applicable, but must not provide coverage for 100% or any portion of the Medicare part B deductible.
- (c) Standardized Medicare supplement benefit plans C, F, and F high deductible may not be offered to individuals newly eligible for Medicare after December 31, 2019.
- (d) Standardized Medicare supplement benefit plan F high deductible is redesignated as plan G high deductible and must provide the benefits in section 3811a(6)(e), as applicable, but must not provide coverage for 100% or any portion of the Medicare part B deductible. The Medicare part B deductible paid by the beneficiary is considered an out-of-pocket expense in meeting the annual high deductible.
- (e) The reference to plan C or plan F contained in section 3811a(2) is deemed a reference to plan D or plan G, respectively, for purposes of this section.
- (3) This section only applies to individuals that are newly eligible for Medicare after December 31, 2019 because of either of the following:
 - (a) By reason of attaining age 65 after December 31, 2019.
- (b) By reason of entitlement to benefits under Medicare part A under section 226(b) or 226a of the social security act, or who is deemed to be eligible for benefits under section 226a of the social security act after December 31, 2019.
- (4) For purposes of section 3830(5) to (8), for an individual newly eligible for Medicare after December 31, 2019, any reference to Medicare supplement policy or certificate plans C, F, or F high deductible is deemed to be a reference to Medicare supplement policy or certificate plans D, G, or G high deductible, respectively, that meet the requirements of subsection (2).
- (5) After December 31, 2019, the standardized benefit plans described in subsection (2)(d) may be offered to an individual who was eligible for Medicare before January 1, 2020, in addition to the standardized plans described in section 3811a(6).

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