



# LAWS OF ALASKA

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**Chapter No.**

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**AN ACT**

Prohibiting a health care insurer from denying coverage for an additional limited quantity of prescription topical eye medication under certain circumstances.

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**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

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1 Prohibiting a health care insurer from denying coverage for an additional limited quantity of  
2 prescription topical eye medication under certain circumstances.

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4 \* **Section 1.** AS 21.42 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 **Sec. 21.42.425. Coverage for prescription topical eye medication.** (a) A  
6 health care insurer that offers, issues for delivery, delivers, or renews a health care  
7 insurance plan in the group or individual market in the state that provides coverage for  
8 prescription topical eye medication shall allow the early refill of a prescription for a  
9 topical eye medication to treat a chronic condition before the last day of the prescribed  
10 dosage period, without regard to a coverage restriction.

11 (b) A covered person may request an early refill under this section

12 (1) not earlier than 23 days after a prescription for a 30-day supply is  
13 dispensed;

14 (2) not earlier than 45 days after a prescription for a 60-day supply is

1 dispensed;

2 (3) not earlier than 68 days after a prescription for a 90-day supply is  
3 dispensed;

4 (4) if the prescriber has indicated the number of refills needed; and

5 (5) if the prescription topical eye medication being refilled is covered  
6 under the covered person's policy.

7 (c) A covered person may receive an early refill under this section not more  
8 than once during the approved dosage period.

9 (d) A covered person may only receive an early refill under this section if the  
10 refill does not exceed the number of refills prescribed.

11 \* **Sec. 2.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to  
12 read:

13 **APPLICABILITY.** AS 21.42.425, enacted by sec. 1 of this Act, applies to a health  
14 care insurance plan offered, issued for delivery, delivered, or renewed on or after January 1,  
15 2014.