

**THE NONPROFIT HEALTH CARE CORPORATION REFORM ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 350 of 1980**

**550.1455 Basic core package of benefits; additional benefits; availability; contents.**

Sec. 455. Every health care corporation issuing a medicare supplement certificate in this state shall make available a medicare supplement certificate that includes only a basic core package of benefits to each prospective member. A health care corporation issuing a medicare supplement certificate in this state may make available to prospective members benefits pursuant to section 459 that are in addition to, but not instead of, the basic core package. The basic core package of benefits shall include all of the following:

(a) Coverage of part A medicare eligible expenses for hospitalization to the extent not covered by medicare from the 61st day through the 90th day in any medicare benefit period.

(b) Coverage of part A medicare eligible expenses incurred for hospitalization to the extent not covered by medicare for each medicare lifetime inpatient reserve day used.

(c) Upon exhaustion of the medicare hospital inpatient coverage including the lifetime reserve days, coverage of the medicare part A eligible expenses for hospitalization paid at the diagnostic related group day outlier per diem or other appropriate standard of payment, subject to a lifetime maximum benefit of an additional 365 days.

(d) Coverage under medicare parts A and B for the reasonable cost of the first 3 pints of blood or equivalent quantities of packed red blood cells, as defined under federal regulations unless replaced in accordance with federal regulations.

(e) Coverage for the coinsurance amount, or the copayment amount paid for hospital outpatient department services under a prospective payment system, of medicare eligible expenses under part B regardless of hospital confinement, subject to the medicare part B deductible.

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