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# HOUSE BILL NO. 845

## 93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES BOYKINS (Sponsor), WALTON,  
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### AN ACT

To amend chapter 376, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to chronic kidney disease.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 376, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be  
2 known as section 376.1630, to read as follows:

376.1630. 1. All health benefit plans, as defined in section 376.1350, that are  
2 delivered, issued for delivery, continued, or renewed on or after August 28, 2005, and that  
3 provide coverage to any resident of this state shall provide coverage for diagnostic testing  
4 and healthcare services for chronic kidney patients which have been certified by the  
5 patient's physician as having clinical benefit, including:

6 (1) Managing risk factors which prolong kidney function or delay progression to  
7 kidney replacement therapy;

8 (2) Managing risk factors for bone disease and cardiovascular disease associated  
9 with chronic kidney disease;

10 (3) Improving nutritional status of the patients; and

11 (4) Correcting anemia associated with the disease.

12 2. As used in this section, individuals diagnosed with diabetes or hypertension, or  
13 who have a family history of kidney disease, and receive a diagnosis of kidney disease shall  
14 be considered chronic kidney patients.

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in bold-face type in the above bill is proposed language.