

HB 1382 -- MO HEALTHNET BENEFITS

SPONSOR: Price

Subject to approval of a state plan amendment or waiver by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), this bill provides that any child under the age of 19 who has received a positive diagnosis of phenylketonuria, or any other metabolic or genetic disease for which testing is prescribed by the Department of Health and Senior Services, is eligible to be enrolled in MO HealthNet coverage. The child will remain eligible and be continuously enrolled, without consideration of asset or income limit provisions or any changes thereto, until he or she reaches age 19. A parent or guardian is not require to re-certify eligibility for the child before the 19th birthday unless the child moved out of the state or the parent or guardian opted out of coverage for the child after the initial enrollment.