



AN ACT REVISING PREAUTHORIZATION LAWS; PROVIDING DIRECTION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO NOT REQUIRE AUTHORIZATION FOR CERTAIN ANTIPSYCHOTIC DRUGS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

**Section 1. Directions to department of public health and human services.** (1) For the purpose of removing barriers to the timely treatment of serious mental illnesses, the department of public health and human services may not require prior authorization under the medicaid program on any antipsychotic drug that is approved by the U.S. food and drug administration, for its approved indications, for medicaid members 18 years of age and older.

(2) Nothing in this section may require the department to cover antipsychotic drugs not eligible for coverage in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 1396r-8.

**Section 2. Effective date.** [This act] is effective [30 days after this act is passed and approved].

**Section 3. Applicability.** [This act] applies to claims submitted for payment for services provided on or after [the effective date of this act].

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I hereby certify that the within bill,  
HB 610, originated in the House.

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Speaker of the House

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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President of the Senate

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

HOUSE BILL NO. 610

INTRODUCED BY K. SEEKINS-CROWE

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