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By Mr. Carney of Lynn, petition of Thomas F. Connolly and Philip N. Carney that medical service corporations be required to pay for medical, visual and surgical services rendered by participating physicians, dentists, podiatrists and optometrists. Insurance.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Two.

AN ACT TO REQUIRE A MEDICAL SERVICE CORPORATION TO PAY FOR MEDICAL, VISUAL AND SURGICAL SERVICES RENDERED BY PARTICIPATING PHYSICIANS, DENTISTS, PODIATRISTS AND OPTOMETRISTS TO ITS SUBSCRIBERS AND TO THEIR DEPENDENTS AND NOT TO EXCLUDE THE SERVICES OF A PARTICIPATING PHYSICIAN WHO PERFORMS COVERED SERVICES WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THEIR LICENSE.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 176B, section 4 of the General Laws is hereby  
2 amended by striking out the word "may" in the first paragraph  
3 in the phrase "may pay for such services" and substituting  
4 therefor the word "shall" and adding the following after the  
5 word "services": — and any medical service corporation who  
6 shall enter into such contracts with its subscribers shall not  
7 exclude the services of any participating physician for covered  
8 services performed within the scope of the participating physi-  
9 cians' license where the services are medically necessary.

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