

By Mrs. Murray of Cohasset, petition of Mary Jeanette Murray and Thomas F. Brownell relative to further defining persons who provide alcoholism treatment to be covered by group health insurance policies, employees health and welfare funds, group hospital service contracts and group medical service contracts. Insurance.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Three.

AN ACT FURTHER DEFINING THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY PROVIDE ALCOHOLISM TREATMENT TO BE COVERED BY GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE POLICIES, EMPLOYEES HEALTH AND WELFARE FUNDS, GROUP HOSPITAL SERVICE CONTRACTS AND GROUP MEDICAL SERVICE CONTRACTS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 1221 of the acts of 1973 is
2 hereby amended by deleting the second and third sentences in
3 subsection (B) and inserting the following sentence: "Consultant or
4 treatment sessions furnished by a facility in this clause shall be
5 rendered by a physician or psychotherapist fully licensed under
6 the provisions of chapter one hundred and twelve, or by a psychol-
7 ogist, fully licensed under the provisions of chapter 1021, or by a
8 registered nurse who is experienced in the treatment of alcoholics or
9 intoxicated persons, or by a social worker trained and experienced
10 in the treatment of alcoholics or intoxicated persons, or by profes-
11 sional certified alcoholism counselors.

12 All of the above named individuals must be employed in an
13 alcoholism treatment facility fully licensed by the department of
14 public health.

1 SECTION 2. Section 2 of chapter 1221 of the acts of 1973 is
2 hereby amended by deleting the second and third sentences in
3 subsection (B) and inserting the following sentence: — "Consultant

4 or treatment sessions furnished by a facility in this clause shall be
5 rendered by a physician or psychotherapist fully licensed under
6 the provisions of chapter one hundred and twelve, or by a psychol-
7 ogist fully licensed under the provisions of chapter 1021, or by a
8 registered nurse who is experienced in the treatment of alcoholics
9 or intoxicated persons, or by a social worker trained and experi-
10 enced in the treatment of alcoholics or intoxicated persons, or by
11 a professional or certified alcoholism counselor. All of the above
12 named individuals must be employed in an alcoholism treatment
13 facility fully licensed by the department of public health.

1 SECTION 3. Section 3 of chapter 1221 of the acts of 1973 is
2 hereby amended by deleting the second and third sentences in
3 subsection (B) and inserting the following sentence: — “Consultant
4 or treatment sessions furnished by a facility in this clause shall be
5 rendered by a physician or psychotherapist fully licensed under the
6 provisions of chapter 1021, or by a registered nurse who devote a
7 substantial portion of their time treating alcoholics or intoxicated
8 persons, or by a social worker trained and experienced in the
9 treatment of alcoholics or intoxicated persons, or by professional
10 or certified alcoholism counselors. All of the above named individ-
11 uals must be employed in an alcoholism treatment facility fully
12 licensed by the department of public health.

1 SECTION 4. Section 4 of chapter 1221 of the acts of 1973 is
2 hereby amended by deleting the second and third sentences in
3 subsection (b) and inserting the following sentence: — “Consultant
4 or treatment sessions furnished by a facility in this clause shall be
5 rendered by a physician or psychotherapist fully licensed under the
6 provisions of chapter one hundred and twelve, or by a psycholo-
7 gist, fully licensed under the provisions of chapter 1021, or by a
8 registered nurse who is experienced in the treatment of alcoholics
9 or intoxicated persons, or by a social worker trained and experi-
10 enced in the treatment of alcoholics or intoxicated persons, or by
11 a professional or certified alcoholism counselors. All of the above
12 named individuals must be employed in an alcoholism treatment
13 facility fully licensed by the department of public health.

1 SECTION 5. Section 5 of chapter 1221 of the acts of 1973 is
2 hereby amended by deleting the second and third sentences in

3 subsection (B) and inserting the following sentence: "Consultant
4 or treatment session furnished by a facility in this clause shall be
5 rendered by a physician or psychotherapist fully licensed under the
6 provisions of chapter one hundred and twelve, or by a psycholo-
7 gist, fully licensed under the provisions of chapter 1021 or by a
8 registered nurse who is experienced in the treatment of alcoholics
9 or intoxicated persons, or by a social worker trained and exper-
10 ienced in the treatment of alcoholics or intoxicated persons, or by a
11 professional or certified alcoholism counselor. All of the above
12 named individuals must be employed in an alcoholism treatment
13 facility fully licensed by the department of public health.

1 SECTION 6. Section 6 of chapter 1221 of the acts of 1973 is
2 hereby amended by deleting the second and third sentences in
3 subsection (B) and inserting the following sentence: "Consultant
4 or treatment sessions furnished by a facility in this clause shall be
5 rendered by a physician or psychotherapist fully licensed under the
6 provisions of chapter one hundred and twelve, or by a psycholo-
7 gist, fully licensed under the provisions of chapter 1021, or by a
8 registered nurse who is experienced in the treatment of alcoholics
9 or intoxicated persons, or by a social worker trained and exper-
10 ienced in the treatment of alcoholics or intoxicated persons, or by
11 professional or certified alcoholism counselors. All of the above
12 named individuals must be employed in an alcoholism treatment
13 facility fully licensed by the department of public health.

