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To enact sections 1751.69, 3923.90, 3923.91, 3923.92, 1  
and 5111.026 of the Revised Code to require 2  
certain health care insurers and plans, including 3  
the state's Medicaid program, to provide benefits 4  
for prostate, colorectal, cervical, and ovarian 5  
cancer screening examinations. 6

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That sections 1751.69, 3923.90, 3923.91, 3923.92, 7  
and 5111.026 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows: 8

**Sec. 1751.69.** (A) Notwithstanding section 3901.71 of the 9  
Revised Code, each health insuring corporation providing insurance 10  
for basic health care services in this state shall offer to 11  
provide as a supplemental health care service benefits to its 12  
subscribers for the expenses of examinations and laboratory tests 13  
for the following: 14

(1) Prostate cancer; 15

(2) Colorectal cancer; 16

(3) Ovarian cancer; 17

(4) Cervical cancer. 18

(B) If a health insuring corporation provides benefits under division (A) of this section, the benefits shall be provided: 19  
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(1) To any nonsymptomatic individual for whom the most recently published American cancer society guidelines recommend screening based on age, health, and other risk factors; 21  
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(2) For examinations and laboratory tests that are recommended by, and performed in accordance with, the most recently published American cancer society guidelines; 24  
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(3) Subject to the same terms and conditions, including copayment charges, that apply to similar benefits provided under the policy, contract, or agreement. 27  
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**Sec. 3923.90.** (A) Notwithstanding section 3901.71 of the Revised Code, each insurance company authorized to do the business of sickness and accident insurance in this state shall offer to provide benefits for the expenses of examinations and laboratory tests for the following: 30  
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(1) Prostate cancer; 35

(2) Colorectal cancer; 36

(3) Ovarian cancer; 37

(4) Cervical cancer. 38

(B) If an insurance company authorized to do the business of sickness and accident insurance in this state provides benefits under division (A) of this section, the benefits shall be provided: 39  
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(1) To any nonsymptomatic individual for whom the most recently published American cancer society guidelines recommend screening based on age, health, and other risk factors; 43  
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(2) For examinations and laboratory tests that are 46

recommended by, and performed in accordance with, the most 47  
recently published American cancer society guidelines; 48

(3) Subject to the same terms and conditions, including 49  
copayment charges, that apply to similar benefits provided under 50  
the policy, contract, or agreement. 51

(C) This section does not apply to any policy that provides 52  
coverage for specific diseases or accidents only, or to any 53  
hospital indemnity, medicare supplement, or other policy that 54  
offers supplemental benefits. 55

**Sec. 3923.91.** (A) Notwithstanding section 3901.71 of the 56  
Revised Code, each public employee benefit plan that is 57  
established or modified in this state shall offer to provide 58  
benefits for the expenses of examinations and laboratory tests for 59  
the following: 60

(1) Prostate cancer; 61

(2) Colorectal cancer; 62

(3) Ovarian cancer; 63

(4) Cervical cancer. 64

(B) If a public employee benefit plan in this state provides 65  
benefits under division (A) of this section, the benefits shall be 66  
provided: 67

(1) To any nonsymptomatic individual for whom the most 68  
recently published American cancer society guidelines recommend 69  
screening based on age, health, and other risk factors; 70

(2) For examinations and laboratory tests that are 71  
recommended by, and performed in accordance with, the most 72  
recently published American cancer society guidelines; 73

(3) Subject to the same terms and conditions, including 74  
copayment charges, that apply to similar benefits provided under 75

the policy, contract, or agreement. 76

Sec. 3923.92. (A) Notwithstanding section 3901.71 of the 77  
Revised Code, each employer in this state that provides, in whole 78  
or in part, health care benefits for its employees under a public 79  
employee benefit plan, a policy of sickness and accident insurance 80  
issued in accordance with this chapter, or a health insuring 81  
corporation contract issued in accordance with Chapter 1751. of 82  
the Revised Code shall offer to provide benefits for the expenses 83  
of examinations and laboratory tests for the following: 84

(1) Prostate cancer; 85

(2) Colorectal cancer; 86

(3) Ovarian cancer; 87

(4) Cervical cancer. 88

(B) If an employer in this state provides benefits under 89  
division (A) of this section, the benefits shall be provided: 90

(1) To any nonsymptomatic individual for whom the most 91  
recently published American cancer society guidelines recommend 92  
screening based on age, health, and other risk factors; 93

(2) For examinations and laboratory tests that are 94  
recommended by, and performed in accordance with, the most 95  
recently published American cancer society guidelines; 96

(3) Subject to the same terms and conditions, including 97  
copayment charges, that apply to similar benefits provided under 98  
the policy, contract, or agreement. 99

Sec. 5111.026. (A) The provision of medical assistance under 100  
this chapter shall include an offer of coverage of expenses for 101  
examinations and laboratory tests for the following: 102

(1) Prostate cancer; 103

<u>(2) Colorectal cancer;</u>	104
<u>(3) Ovarian cancer;</u>	105
<u>(4) Cervical cancer.</u>	106
<u>(B) If the medical assistance program provides benefits under</u>	107
<u>division (A) of this section, the benefits shall be provided:</u>	108
<u>(1) To any nonsymptomatic individual for whom the most</u>	109
<u>recently published American cancer society guidelines recommend</u>	110
<u>screening based on age, health, and other risk factors;</u>	111
<u>(2) For examinations and laboratory tests that are</u>	112
<u>recommended by, and performed in accordance with, the most</u>	113
<u>recently published American cancer society guidelines;</u>	114
<u>(3) Subject to the same terms and conditions, including</u>	115
<u>copayment charges, that apply to similar benefits provided under</u>	116
<u>the policy, contract, or agreement.</u>	117
<b>Section 2.</b> Section 1751.69 of the Revised Code, as enacted by	118
this act, shall apply only to policies, contracts, and agreements	119
that are delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state	120
on or after the effective date of this act. Sections 3923.90 and	121
3923.92 of the Revised Code, as enacted by this act, shall apply	122
to policies of sickness and accident insurance on or after the	123
effective date of this act in accordance with section 3923.01 of	124
the Revised Code. Section 3923.91 of the Revised Code, as enacted	125
by this act, shall apply only to plans that are established or	126
modified in this state on or after the effective date of this act.	127