## Current State Mandates—2006

- Chemical Dependency
- Continuation of Coverage for Disabled Dependents
- Convalescent Care
- Creditable Coverage
- Dentist Services
  - —Common to both medicine and dentistry
- Diabetes Education, Equipment and Supplies
- Mammograms
- Mental Health
- Minimum Stay After Childbirth
- Naturopathic Physician
- Newborns: First 31 days
- Nurse Specialists
- Physical Therapists
- Physician Assistants
- PKU-Metabolic Disorders
- Post-Mastectomy Care
- Prescription Contraceptives
- Pre-existing Condition
  - —Look-back period of 6 months
- Self-Referral for OB/GYN
- Severe Mental Illness
  - —Cover as any other illness
- Well-Child Care and Immunizations

*Consumer Choice, Rather Than Mandate*

**Get Involved!**

## Current Federal Mandates—2006

- Creditable Coverage
  - —For groups over 50
- Mental Health Parity
- Post-Mastectomy Care
- Pre-existing Look-Back Period

## Monthly Cost PMPM*

Total $21.22

## Other Hot Topics in Healthcare

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Montana continues to monitor these and many other issues at both the State and Federal levels:

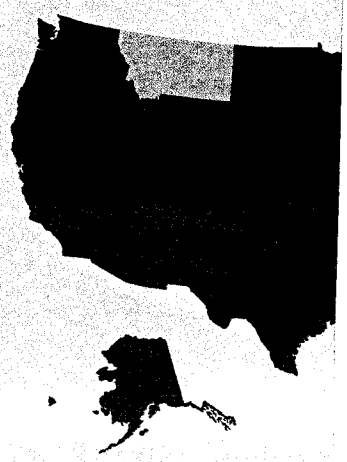
- Rapidly Rising Health Care Costs
- Uninsured Montanans' Tax Credits
- Montana Comprehensive Health Association
- Privacy of Health Information
- Prescription Drugs and Costs
- Medicaid and Medicare Reimbursement
- Children's Health Insurance Program, Caring Program for Children

## Potential New State Mandates—2007

| | Monthly PMPM* |
|---|---|
| Acupuncture Service | $ .18 |
| Chemical Dependency Parity | 2.15 |
| Chiropractic Supplies | 1.30 |
| Mental Health Parity | 7.51 |
| Morbid Obesity | |
| TMJ (temporomandibular joint disorder) | .41 |
| Hearing Aid [SB151] ([redacted]) | 2.51 |
| (**Pediatric Audiology [HB101]) | |
| **TOTAL:** | **$14.06** |

## Mandates Affect Rates

Current State and Federal mandates cost Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Montana's members millions ann[illegible] mandates would add to



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HB 101

*per covered Montanan per month

**scaled back bill if passed on its own could be PMPM $1.25