

Ohio Revised Code

Section 3901.501 Genetic screening or testing for self-insurance plans.

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(A) As used in this section:

- (1) "Genetic screening or testing" means a laboratory test of a person's genes or chromosomes for abnormalities, defects, or deficiencies, including carrier status, that are linked to physical or mental disorders or impairments, or that indicate a susceptibility to illness, disease, or other disorders, whether physical or mental, which test is a direct test for abnormalities, defects, or deficiencies, and not an indirect manifestation of genetic disorders.
- (2) "Self-insurer" means any government entity providing coverage for health care services on a self-insurance basis.
- (B) Upon the repeal of section 3901.50 of the Revised Code, no self-insurer shall do either of the following:
- (1) Consider any information obtained from genetic screening or testing in processing an application for coverage under a plan of self-insurance or in determining insurability under such a plan;
- (2) Inquire, directly or indirectly, into the results of genetic screening or testing or use such information, in whole or in part, to cancel, refuse to provide or renew, or limit benefits under, a plan of self-insurance.
- (C) Any self-insurer that has engaged in, is engaged in, or is about to engage in a violation of division (B) of this section is subject to the jurisdiction of the superintendent of insurance under section 3901.04 of the Revised Code.