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A BILL

То	amend sections 3902.50, 3902.60, and 3902.70 and	1
	to enact sections 5.22108, 3902.62, and 5164.092	2
	of the Revised Code to require health plan	3
	issuers and the Medicaid program to cover	4
	treatments and services related to Pediatric	5
	Autoimmune Neuropsychiatric Disorders Associated	6
	with Streptococcal Infections and Pediatric	7
	Acute-onset Neuropsychiatric Syndrome.	8

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

Section 1. That sections 3902.50, 3902.60, and 3902.70 be	9
amended and sections 5.22108, 3902.62, and 5164.092 of the	10
Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:	11
Sec. 5.22108. The ninth day of October shall be designated	12
"PANDAS and PANS Awareness Day," referring to pediatric	13
autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders associated with	14
streptococcal infections, commonly referred to as PANDAS, and	15
pediatric acute-onset neuropsychiatric syndrome, commonly	16
referred to as PANS.	17
Sec. 3902.50. As used in sections 3902.50 to 3902.54	18

3902.71 of the Revised Code:	19
(A) "Ambulance" has the same meaning as in section 4765.01	20
of the Revised Code.	21
(B) "Clinical laboratory services" has the same meaning as	22
in section 4731.65 of the Revised Code.	23
(C) "Cost sharing" means the cost to a covered person	24
under a health benefit plan according to any copayment,	25
coinsurance, deductible, or other out-of-pocket expense	26
requirement.	27
(D) "Covered person," "health benefit plan," "health care	28
services," and "health plan issuer" have the same meanings as in	29
section 3922.01 of the Revised Code.	30
(E) "Emergency facility" has the same meaning as in	31
section 3701.74 of the Revised Code.	32
(F) "Emergency services" means all of the following as	33
described in 42 U.S.C. 1395dd:	34
(1) Medical screening examinations undertaken to determine	35
whether an emergency medical condition exists;	36
(2) Treatment necessary to stabilize an emergency medical	37
condition;	38
(3) Appropriate transfers undertaken prior to an emergency	39
medical condition being stabilized.	40
(G) "Prior authorization requirement" means any practice	41
implemented by a health plan issuer in which coverage of a	42
health care service, device, or drug is dependent upon a covered	43
person or a health care practitioner obtaining approval from the	44
health plan issuer prior to the service, device, or drug being	45

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performed, received, or prescribed, as applicable. "Prior	46
authorization" includes prospective or utilization review	47
procedures conducted prior to providing a health care service,	48
device, or drug.	49
(H) "Step therapy protocol" has the same meaning as in	50
section 3901.83 of the Revised Code.	51
(I) "Unanticipated out-of-network care" means health care	52
services, including clinical laboratory services, that are	53
covered under a health benefit plan and that are provided by an	54
out-of-network provider when either of the following conditions	55
applies:	56
(1) The covered person did not have the ability to request	57
such services from an in-network provider.	58
(2) The services provided were emergency services.	59
Sec. 3902.60. As used in sections 3902.60 and 3902.61 of	60
the Revised Code:	61
(A) "Associated conditions" means the symptoms or side	62
effects of stage four advanced metastatic cancer, or the	63
treatment thereof, which would, in the judgment of the health	64
care practitioner in question, jeopardize the health of a	65
covered individual if left untreated.	66
(B) "Covered person," "health benefit plan," and "health-	67
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Sec. 3902.62. (A) As used in this section, "diagnostic	74
evaluation" includes all testing and services appropriate for	75
any class of medical, neurological, or immune-mediated	76
disorders, including autoimmune encephalitis.	77
(B) Notwithstanding section 3901.71 of the Revised Code, a	78
health benefit plan issued, delivered, or renewed on or after	79
the effective date of this section shall provide coverage for	80
the screening, diagnosis, and treatment of pediatric autoimmune	81
neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal	82
infections, commonly referred to as PANDAS, and pediatric acute	83
onset neuropsychiatric syndrome, commonly referred to as PANS.	84
(C) A health plan issuer shall not apply a cost-sharing	85
requirement to the coverage required under division (B) of this	86
section that is less favorable than the cost-sharing requirement	87
that applies substantially to all medical and surgical benefits	88
provided under the health benefit plan.	89
(D) Benefits required under division (B) of this section	90
shall cover, at minimum, all of the following:	91
(1) Comprehensive diagnostic evaluation, symptomatic	92
relief, and related services, including laboratory, radiology,	93
psychiatric, and behavioral services;	94
(2) Immunomodulatory therapies, including all of the	95
<pre>following:</pre>	96
(a) Immunoglobulin therapy, including both high dose and	97
low dose infusions, as well as the cost of related medications,	98
administration, and monitoring;	99
(b) Corticosteroids;	100
(c) Plasmapheresis;	101

(d) Rituxmab or similar products.	102
(3) Antimicrobial treatment, including antibiotics and	103
antivirals;	104
(4) Therapeutic care, including services provided by a	105
speech therapist, speech-language pathologist, occupational	106
therapist, or physical therapist licensed or certified in the	107
state in which the therapist practices.	108
(E) (1) The coverage required under division (B) of this	109
section shall not be subject to either a step therapy protocol	110
or a prior authorization requirement.	111
(2) The coverage required under division (B) of this	112
section shall not be contingent upon either of the following:	113
(a) A patient's symptoms meeting a specified threshold of	114
severity;	115
(b) A patient having a specified immunodeficiency status.	116
(F) If, at any time, this state is required to defray the	117
cost of any coverage required under division (B) of this	118
section, pursuant to any provision of the "Patient Protection	119
and Affordable Care Act of 2010," Pub. L. No. 111-148, including	120
42 U.S.C. 18031(d)(3)(B), or any successor provision, or	121
pursuant to any rules or regulations promulgated, or any	122
opinion, guidance, or other action made, by the secretary of the	123
United States department of health and human services, or its	124
successor agency, then the requirement made under division (B)	125
of this section shall be inoperative, other than any such	126
coverage authorized under 42 U.S.C. 1396a, and the state shall	127
not assume any obligation for the cost of coverage required	128
under division (B) of this section.	129

Sec. 3902.70. As used in this section and section 3902.71	130
of the Revised Code:	131
(A) "340B covered entity" and "third-party administrator"	132
have the same meanings as in section 5167.01 of the Revised	133
Code.	134
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(B) "Health plan issuer" has the same meaning as in	135
section 3922.01 of the Revised Code.	136
(C)—"Terminal distributor of dangerous drugs" has the same	137
meaning as in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code.	138
Sec. 5164.092. (A) As used in this section:	139
(1) "Diagnostic evaluation" includes all testing and	140
services appropriate for any class of medical, neurological, or	141
immune-mediated disorders, including autoimmune encephalitis.	142
(2) "Prior authorization requirement" has the same meaning	143
as in section 5160.34 of the Revised Code.	144
(3) "Step therapy protocol" has the same meaning as in	145
section 5164.7512 of the Revised Code.	146
(B) The medicaid program shall provide coverage for the	147
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infections, commonly referred to as PANDAS, and pediatric acute-	150
onset neuropsychiatric syndrome, commonly referred to as PANS.	151
(C) The medicaid program shall not institute a cost-	152
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