40-4-37h Long-term care insurance; pre-existing conditions; requirements; prohibitions.

(a) If a long-term care insurance policy or certificate contains any limitations with respect to pre-existing conditions, the limitations shall appear as a separate paragraph of the policy or certificate and be labeled as "pre-existing condition limitations."

(b) The definition of preexisting condition shall not prohibit an insurer from using an application form designed to elicit the complete health history of an applicant, and, on the basis of the answers on that application, from underwriting in accordance with that insurer's established underwriting standards. Unless otherwise provided in the policy or certificate, a preexisting condition, regardless of whether it is disclosed on the application, need not be covered until the waiting period described in K.S.A. 1991 Supp. 40-2228(e) (1) expires. No long-term care insurance policy or certificate may exclude or use waivers or riders of any kind to exclude, limit or reduce coverage or benefits for specifically named or described preexisting diseases or physical conditions beyond the waiting period of the policy or certificate.

(c) No long-term care insurance policy or certificate shall exclude coverage for a loss or confinement which is the result of a preexisting condition unless such loss or confinement begins within the preexisting waiting period following the effective date of coverage of an insured person.