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Consumer alert:

3D screening mammograms will be standard of care in Kansas in 2019

Topeka, KS — The Kansas Insurance Department will require Kansas health insurance carriers to cover three-dimensional mammograms for women as the standard of care for breast exams beginning in 2019, according to Clark Shultz, Assistant Commissioner.

“We will be issuing a bulletin that directs health insurance companies to cover this procedure as a matter of course,” Assistant Commissioner Shultz said. “This modern technology is providing physicians with great opportunities to diagnose and treat breast cancer more quickly.”

Traditionally, two-dimensional mammograms were covered under health insurance plans, but three-dimensional coverage often required the policyholder to pay the additional cost.

“This is a win-win for both the patient and the physician,” Assistant Commissioner Shultz said. “It is taking advantage of modern healthcare technology at no additional cost to the patient.”

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