PEHP Response

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SB0241 - Treatment Medication Amendments

Any Fiscal Impact - no

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SB 241 requires a health benefit plan to cover a prescription drug which has been approved by the FDA or NCCN to treat stage-IV advanced metastatic cancer or an associated condition without step-therapy or other fail-first protocol. Currently, PEHP does not apply step therapy protocol to drugs approved by the FDA or NCCN for stage-IV advanced cancer. Based on the language of this bill, PEHP will still be able to limit other experimental cancer therapy or drugs which have not been approved for a particular cancer diagnosis in accordance with its clinical policies. PEHP expects no fiscal impact from this bill.