

**(C) Exclusions**

The term “genetic information” shall not include information about the sex or age of any individual.

**(8) Genetic test****(A) In general**

The term “genetic test” means an analysis of human DNA, RNA, chromosomes, proteins, or metabolites, that detects genotypes, mutations, or chromosomal changes.

**(B) Exceptions**

The term “genetic test” does not mean—

(i) an analysis of proteins or metabolites that does not detect genotypes, mutations, or chromosomal changes, or

(ii) an analysis of proteins or metabolites that is directly related to a manifested disease, disorder, or pathological condition that could reasonably be detected by a health care professional with appropriate training and expertise in the field of medicine involved.

**(9) Genetic services**

The term “genetic services” means—

(A) a genetic test;

(B) genetic counseling (including obtaining, interpreting, or assessing genetic information); or

(C) genetic education.

**(10) Underwriting purposes**

The term “underwriting purposes” means, with respect to any group health plan, or health insurance coverage offered in connection with a group health plan—

(A) rules for, or determination of, eligibility (including enrollment and continued eligibility) for benefits under the plan or coverage;

(B) the computation of premium or contribution amounts under the plan or coverage;

(C) the application of any pre-existing condition exclusion under the plan or coverage; and

(D) other activities related to the creation, renewal, or replacement of a contract of health insurance or health benefits.

(Added Pub. L. 104-191, title IV, § 401(a), Aug. 21, 1996, 110 Stat. 2080, § 9805; renumbered § 9832, Pub. L. 105-34, title XV, § 1531(a)(2), Aug. 5, 1997, 111 Stat. 1081; amended Pub. L. 110-233, title I, § 103(d), May 21, 2008, 122 Stat. 898.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, referred to in subsecs. (b)(2) and (d)(1)(B), is Pub. L. 93-406, Sept. 2, 1974, 88 Stat. 832, as amended. Section 514(b)(2) of the Act is classified to section 1144(b)(2) of Title 29, Labor. Section 609 of the Act is classified to section 1169 of Title 29. Part 6 of subtitle B of title I of the Act is classified generally to part 6 (§ 1161 et seq.) of subtitle B of subchapter I of chapter 18 of Title 29.

For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1001 of Title 29 and Tables.

The date of the enactment of this section, referred to in subsec. (b)(2), is the date of enactment of Pub. L. 104-191, which was approved Aug. 21, 1996.

Section 1882(g)(1) of the Social Security Act, referred to in subsec. (c)(4), is classified to section 1395ss(g)(1) of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare.

The Public Health Service Act, referred to in subsec. (d)(1)(C), is act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, 58 Stat. 682, as amended. Title XXII of the Act is classified generally to subchapter XX (§ 300bb-1 et seq.) of chapter 6A of Title 42. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 201 of Title 42 and Tables.

## AMENDMENTS

2008—Subsec. (d)(6) to (10). Pub. L. 110-233 added pars. (6) to (10).

1997—Pub. L. 105-34 renumbered section 9805 of this title as this section.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2008 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 110-233 applicable with respect to group health plans for plan years beginning after the date that is one year after May 21, 2008, see section 103(f)(2) of Pub. L. 110-233, set out as a note under section 9802 of this title.

**§ 9833. Regulations**

The Secretary, consistent with section 104 of the Health Care Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, may promulgate such regulations as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions of this chapter. The Secretary may promulgate any interim final rules as the Secretary determines are appropriate to carry out this chapter.

(Added Pub. L. 104-191, title IV, § 401(a), Aug. 21, 1996, 110 Stat. 2082; § 9806; renumbered § 9833, Pub. L. 105-34, title XV, § 1531(a)(2), Aug. 5, 1997, 111 Stat. 1081.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 104 of the Health Care Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, referred to in text, is section 104 of Pub. L. 104-191, which is set out as a note under section 300gg-92 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare.

## AMENDMENTS

1997—Pub. L. 105-34 renumbered section 9806 of this title as this section.

**§ 9834. Enforcement**

**For the imposition of tax on any failure of a group health plan to meet the requirements of this chapter, see section 4980D.**

(Added Pub. L. 110-233, title I, § 103(e)(1), May 21, 2008, 122 Stat. 899.)

## EFFECTIVE DATE

Section applicable with respect to group health plans for plan years beginning after the date that is one year after May 21, 2008, see section 103(f)(2) of Pub. L. 110-233, set out as an Effective Date of 2008 Amendment note under section 9802 of this title.