

# **Survey of the Status of Prevention Services in Iran's Basic Health Insurance and Providing Solution**

## **Abstract**

**Introduction:** Insurances, through the proper entry of services to their service package, play an important role in promoting community health. In Iran, in spite of many attempts to cover preventive interventions, there is no clear and organized procedure to cover these services by insurers. This study aimed to determine the status of prevention services in Iran's health insurance and provide a solution.

**Method:** This study is a qualitative phenomenological research. At first, to get the study targets, a comprehensive review was done. After that, 5 deep interview and 24 semi-structured interviews were conducted with members affiliated by different departments of Ministry of health, Insurance organizations and faculty members. The framework analysis method was used to analyze the information. To prove the validity and reliability, four attributes of Credibility, Transferability, Dependability and confirmability were used.

**Findings:** The study results in the status and the place of provision of preventive services in the health insurance package of Iran, the way in which prevention services are provided to insurance packages and their financing, the policymakers in charge of providing insurance coverage for prevention services, the requirements for entering health insurance to provide Preventive services, barriers to the provision of preventive services by health insurance in Iran, and finally the strategies to improve the provision of preventive services in Iran.

**Conclusion:** To enter health insurance for the provision of prevention services, the number and type of services to be covered should be clearly determined. The problems facing the country's insurance industry today, such as the unsustainability of resources, need to be addressed, which requires robust laws and strong and integrated stewardship.

**Keywords:** Preventive services, basic health insurance, Iran



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