Thanks to Mike for his efforts.  Below is the actual section of WV Law that requires insurance to pay for clinical trial costs….with exceptions…

I will be following up on the case from our campus to see if PEIA was within the law or not. It could be that they just needed more details to make sure the trial fit the WV criteria for inclusion.

WV Code 5-16-7d *Coverage for Patient Cost of Clinical Trials* became effective on June 8, 2003 and is current with laws of the 2012 First Extraordinary Session.  It is applicable to PEIA, but there are certain requirements that must be met.    For example, section (g) excludes coverage for Phase 1 of any clinical trial.

The law can be viewed on the WV Legislature page at <http://www.legis.state.wv.us/WVCODE/ChapterEntire.cfm?chap=05&art=16&section=7D#16#16>.

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