

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 19-350

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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19-350.

(a) (1) This section applies only to:

(1) (I) Related institutions ~~that are classified as nursing homes~~ AS DEFINED IN § 19-301(L) OF THIS SUBTITLE; and

(2) (II) Hospitals ~~that are not operated by this State or any of its political subdivisions~~ AS DEFINED IN § 19-301(E) OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(2) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL APPLY TO CHARGES FOR SERVICES THAT ARE SET PURSUANT TO § 16-201 OF THIS ARTICLE.

(b) (1) [On demand of an individual made within 30 days] WITHIN 30 DAYS after discharge of ~~the~~ AN individual from a hospital, the hospital shall give the individual a SUMMARY financial statement that CLEARLY DESCRIBES:

(1) (I) THE TOTAL CHARGES INCURRED;

(2) ~~THE BALANCE ON THE ACCOUNT;~~

(3) (2) (II) IF READILY ASCERTAINABLE, A LIST OF TOTAL CHARGES IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES A SUMMARY OF THE TOTAL CHARGES UNDER THE MAJOR SERVICES CATEGORIES, INCLUDING:

(1) 1. ROOM AND BOARD;

(2) 2. DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES;

(3) 3. THERAPEUTIC SERVICES;

(4) 4. EMERGENCY ROOM SERVICES;

(5) 5. PRESCRIPTIONS DRUGS AND IV SOLUTIONS; AND

(6) 6. MISCELLANEOUS OTHER SUPPLIES AND SERVICES;

(4) (3) (III) INSURANCE CLAIMS FILED OR TO BE FILED ON THE INDIVIDUAL'S BEHALF, INCLUDING THE NAME OF THE INSURER AND THE DATE THE CLAIM WAS OR WILL BE FILED IF APPLICABLE, THE NAME OF THE PRIMARY AND SECONDARY INSURER TO WHICH A CLAIM HAS BEEN OR WILL BE FILED ON THE INDIVIDUAL'S BEHALF; AND