- (3) THE INDIVIDUAL HAS HELD A DIRECT PAY HEALTH INSURANCE POLICY FOR AT LEAST 6 MONTHS OR IS ELIGIBLE FOR CONTINUATION OF BENEFITS THROUGH THE FORMER EMPLOYER AND THE PROVISIONS OF THE CONSOLIDATED OMNIBUS BUDGET RECONCILIATION ACT OF 1985, P.L. 99–272, ARTICLE 48A, 354T, 354GG, 477K, 490 I, AND THE CODE OF MARYLAND REGULATIONS 09.30.61 AND 09.30.84 AND ANY SUBSEQUENT MODIFICATIONS TO THE ACT;
- (4) THE INDIVIDUAL IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR HEALTH INSURANCE THROUGH ANOTHER FAMILY MEMBER; AND
  - (5) A PHYSICIAN CERTIFIES THAT THE INDIVIDUAL IS:
    - (I) HIV POSITIVE; AND
- (II) DUE TO THIS ILLNESS, THE INDIVIDUAL IS EITHER TOO ILL TO CONTINUE WORKING IN THE INDIVIDUAL'S CURRENT POSITION, OR THERE IS A SUBSTANTIAL LIKELIHOOD THAT WITHIN 3 MONTHS THE INDIVIDUAL WILL BE UNABLE TO WORK; AND
  - (6) THE INDIVIDUAL IS A RESIDENT OF THE STATE.

15-203.

- (A) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS FOR THE PAYMENT OF HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS TO INSURANCE CARRIERS OR EMPLOYERS UNDER THE PROGRAM.
- (B) THE PROGRAM SHALL PAY 100 PERCENT OF THE COST OF THE INDIVIDUAL'S HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUM AND UP TO 2 PERCENT ADDITIONAL REIMBURSEMENT TO EMPLOYERS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE CONSOLIDATED OMNIBUS BUDGET RECONCILIATION ACT OF 1985, P.L. 99–272, AND ANY SUBSEQUENT MODIFICATIONS TO THE ACT.

15 - 204.

THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS THAT AUTHORIZE THE DENIAL, RESTRICTION, OR TERMINATION OF BENEFITS FOR RECIPIENTS WHO COMMIT ACTS OF ABUSE OR FRAUD AGAINST THE PROGRAM.

15-205.

(A) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL <u>SUBJECT TO § 2-1312 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE</u>, PROVIDE THE GOVERNOR AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WITH AN ANNUAL REPORT SUMMARIZING THE PROGRAM EXPENDITURES, NUMBERS OF RECIPIENTS, PROGRAM EFFECTIVENESS, AND THE ESTIMATED SAVINGS TO THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <u>ADDITIONAL COSTS INCURRED BY PRIVATE INSURANCE COMPANIES</u>, <u>AND THE LOSS OF FEDERAL FUNDING</u>.