

dependent on others because of advanced age, infirmity, physical or mental limitations. Personal care includes (but is not limited to) assistance in walking, getting in and out of bed, bathing, dressing, feeding and general supervision and assistance in daily living.

(j) *“Domiciliary Care” shall mean those services provided to aged or disabled persons, not gainfully employed, in a protective institutional or home-type environment. These services include (but are not limited to) shelter, housekeeping services, board, facilities and resources for daily living, personal surveillance or direction in the activities of daily living.*

(k) *“Person” shall include any person, partnership, association or corporation or any state, county or local governmental unit and any division, board or agency thereof.*

(l) *“Board” except as otherwise used in Sections 564 and 567, and except where inapplicable, shall mean the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene.*

557.

No person shall establish, conduct, maintain or operate in the State of Maryland any hospital or related institution without first having obtained a license [therefor as hereinafter provided in this subtitle] as required in Section 559 of this subtitle.

558.

No person [may] shall continue to operate an existing hospital or related institution unless such operation [shall be] is approved and legally licensed by the [State] Board [of Health] as hereinafter provided in this subtitle [; provided, however, that all]. All hospitals in operation on the effective date of this subtitle shall be given a reasonable time to meet the minimum [standards] requirements provided for [in] by this subtitle and by the rules and regulations [issued] promulgated ~~thereunder~~ HEREUNDER.

559.

(a) Any person desiring a license to open a hospital or related institution or to continue the operation of an existing hospital or related institution shall file with the [State] Board [of Health] a verified application setting forth the name of the applicant desiring such license, stating that the applicant is not less than twenty-one years of age and of reputable and responsible character, setting forth the class of hospital or related institution to be operated, the location thereof, the name of the person in charge thereof and such additional information as the [State] Board [of Health] may require. Applications on behalf of a corporation or association or a governmental unit or agency shall be made by any two officers thereof.

(b) Each application for a license to operate a hospital or related institution shall be accompanied by a fee of ten dollars (\$10.00). All licenses issued hereunder shall expire one year from date of issuance unless revoked. No [such] fee shall be refunded and all fees received by the [State] Board [of Health] under the provisions of this subtitle shall be paid into the State treasury to the credit of the [State] Board [of Health] for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this subtitle.