

hospital care, but who require skilled or long-term nursing care and other related medical services; "public facility" means a nursing home wholly owned by and operated under the authority of a county and/or municipality of the State of Maryland; and "nonprofit facility" means a nursing home wholly owned by and operated under the authority of a nonprofit organization which meets the following qualifications:

(i) It is a bona fide religious organization, no part of the earnings of which inures to the benefit of any individual or is used for any purpose other than the maintenance and operation of the facility or the purchase of equipment to be used in the facility or the expansion of the facility; or

(ii) It is an organization chartered as a nonprofit corporation, no part of the earnings of which inures to the benefit of any individual or is used for any purpose other than the maintenance and operation of the facility or the purchase of equipment to be used in the facility or the expansion of the facility, and is classified by the Federal Internal Revenue Service as nonprofit.

(b) Prior to the authorization of any ~~construction~~ grant under this Act for any facility, the applicant shall file with the State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene:

(i) A financial statement setting forth the personnel employed or to be employed, all remuneration and perquisites for personal services and other expenses paid or to be paid and the expenses incurred or to be incurred in carrying out the nursing home operation; and

(ii) The schedule of rates charged or to be charged for services rendered.

(c) The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene is hereby authorized and directed to promulgate rules and regulations to carry out the intent of this Act and these rules and regulations shall provide for certified annual financial statements from each facility, and other reports as ~~required~~ required. This information shall be required annually for at least the term of the bonds authorized under this Act.

(d) Any public or nonprofit entity or government sponsoring the construction of an eligible facility or the expansion of an existing eligible facility in this State may apply to the State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene for a State grant toward the cost of that project. The allocation and use of State funds under this Act shall be governed by and subject to the following stipulations and limitations:

(i) State funds may be used only for the construction and equipping of public and other nonprofit