

In subsection (a)(3) of this section, the former phrase "provided that they meet the necessary minimum qualifications under this subtitle" is deleted as superfluous.

In subsection (b)(3) of this section, the phrase "all other matters covered under this subtitle" is substituted for the words "the fiscal aspects of these health maintenance organizations", to state accurately the broad range of the Commissioner's authority under this subtitle.

The only other changes are in style.

Defined terms: "Commissioner" § 19-701
 "Department" § 1-101 "Subscriber" § 19-701
 "Health care services" § 19-701
 "Health maintenance organization" § 19-701

19-703. SCOPE OF SUBTITLE.

(A) IN GENERAL.

THIS SUBTITLE DOES NOT:

(1) AUTHORIZE ANY PERSON TO ENGAGE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY IN THE PRACTICE OF ANY HEALTH OCCUPATION EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED BY LAW;

(2) AUTHORIZE ANY PERSON TO REGULATE, INTERFERE, OR INTERVENE IN THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ANY PROVIDER OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES AND THE PATIENTS OF THE PROVIDER; OR

(3) PROHIBIT ANY HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION FROM MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF ANY FEDERAL LAW THAT AUTHORIZES THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION TO:

(I) RECEIVE FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE;

OR

(II) ENROLL BENEFICIARIES ASSISTED BY FEDERAL FUNDS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection formerly appeared as Article 43, §§ 857(a) and 858.

The only changes are in style.

The Commission to Revise the Annotated Code notes, for consideration by the General Assembly, that the meaning of item (3) of this subsection is not entirely clear. The General Assembly may wish to consider this provision as a separate