

reference to "medical assistance".

Defined terms: "License" § 19-901
"Secretary" § 1-101

19-912. OPERATING WITHOUT LICENSE.

A PERSON MAY NOT OPERATE A HOSPICE UNLESS LICENSED BY THE SECRETARY.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Article 43, § 952(a).

As to the substitution of "licensed" for references to "the certification required", see revisor's note to § 19-904 of this subtitle and the General Revisor's Note to this article.

The former references "establish" and "conduct" are deleted as unnecessary in light of the broad reference "operate".

The Commission to Revise the Annotated Code notes, for consideration by the General Assembly, that there are no penalties provided for operating a hospice without a license.

Defined terms: "Hospice" § 19-901
"License" § 19-901 "Secretary" § 1-101
"Person" § 1-101

19-913. ADMISSION RESTRICTION.

A HOSPICE MAY NOT ADMIT AN INDIVIDUAL UNLESS A PHYSICIAN ESTIMATES THAT, THAT THE INDIVIDUAL HAS A LIFE EXPECTANCY OF LESS THAN 6 MONTHS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from the last part of the first sentence of former Article 43, § 950(b). It sets out the substantive provisions of the definition for "hospice" as to the life expectancy of an individual in a facility as admission restrictions.

The defined term "physician", which refers to individuals who are authorized to practice medicine in this State, is substituted for the ambiguous reference to a "licensed physician".

Defined terms: "Hospice" § 19-901
"Physician" § 1-101

TITLE 20. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.