

(III) A KIDNEY DISEASE TREATMENT FACILITY, AS DEFINED BY RULE OR REGULATION OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES;

(IV) AN AMBULATORY SURGICAL FACILITY THAT:

1. PROVIDES SURGICAL TREATMENT TO INDIVIDUALS WHO DO NOT NEED OVERNIGHT HOSPITALIZATION;

2. IS NOT PART OF A HOSPITAL; AND

3. IS NOT PART OF THE OFFICE OF 1 OR MORE PRIVATE PHYSICIANS OR DENTISTS OR PART OF ANY OFFICE OF PHYSICIANS OR DENTISTS WHO ARE ORGANIZED AS A PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION.

(V) AN INPATIENT FACILITY THAT IS ORGANIZED PRIMARILY TO HELP IN THE REHABILITATION OF DISABLED INDIVIDUALS, THROUGH AN INTEGRATED PROGRAM OF MEDICAL AND OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED UNDER COMPETENT PROFESSIONAL SUPERVISION; AND

(VI) A HOME HEALTH AGENCY, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 19-401 OF THIS TITLE;

(VII) A HOSPICE, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 19-901 OF THIS TITLE; AND

(VIII) ANY OTHER HEALTH INSTITUTION, SERVICE, OR PROGRAM FOR WHICH PART I OF THIS SUBTITLE REQUIRES A CERTIFICATE OF NEED.

(2) "HEALTH CARE FACILITY" DOES NOT INCLUDE A HOSPITAL OR RELATED INSTITUTION THAT IS OPERATED, OR IS LISTED AND CERTIFIED, BY THE FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS.

(F) "HEALTH SERVICE AREA" MEANS AN AREA OF THIS STATE THAT THE GOVERNOR DESIGNATES AS APPROPRIATE FOR PLANNING AND DEVELOPING OF HEALTH SERVICES.

(G) "LOCAL HEALTH PLANNING AGENCY" MEANS A BODY THAT THE COMMISSION DESIGNATES TO PERFORM HEALTH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT FUNCTIONS FOR A HEALTH SERVICE AREA.

19-102.

(A) (1) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS THAT IT IS A PRIORITY OF THIS STATE TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A HEALTH CARE SYSTEM THAT PROVIDES, FOR ALL CITIZENS, FINANCIAL AND GEOGRAPHIC ACCESS TO QUALITY HEALTH CARE AT A REASONABLE COST.

(2) THE CITIZENS OF THIS STATE HAVE A FUNDAMENTAL INTEREST IN PLANNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF QUALITY HEALTH SERVICES WITHIN EACH HEALTH SERVICE AREA.