

(iv) In addition to any duties imposed by federal law and regulation, the Committee shall:

1. Advise the Secretary on the implementation, operation, and evaluation of managed care programs under this section;
2. Review and make recommendations on the regulations developed to implement managed care programs under this section;
3. Review and make recommendations on the standards used in contracts between the Department and managed care organizations;
4. Review and make recommendations on the Department's oversight of quality assurance standards;
5. Review data collected by the Department from managed care organizations participating in the Program and data collected by the Maryland Health Care Commission;
6. Promote the dissemination of managed care organization performance information, including loss ratios, to enrollees in a manner that facilitates quality comparisons and uses layman's language;
7. Assist the Department in evaluating the enrollment process;
8. Review reports of the ombudsmen; and
9. Publish and submit an annual report to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.

(v) Except as specified in subparagraphs (ii) and (iii) of this paragraph, the members of the Maryland Medicaid Advisory Committee shall be appointed by the Secretary and serve for a 4-year term.

(vi) In making appointments to the Committee, the Secretary shall provide for continuity and rotation.

(VII) IN APPOINTING CONSUMER MEMBERS TO THE COMMITTEE, THE SECRETARY SHALL SEEK RECOMMENDATIONS FROM:

1. THE STATE PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY SYSTEM ORGANIZATION;
2. THE STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL;
3. THE DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL;
4. THE DEPARTMENT OF DISABILITIES;
5. THE DEPARTMENT OF AGING;
6. CONSUMER ADVOCACY ORGANIZATIONS; AND
7. THE PUBLIC.