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(A) IN ADDITION TO THE DUTIES SET FORTH ELSEWHERE IN THIS SUBTITLE, THE COMMISSION SHALL, TO THE EXTENT BUDGETED RESOURCES PERMIT:

(1) ESTABLISH BY REGULATION THE CRITERIA TO QUALIFY AS A COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE;

(2) ~~(H)~~ IDENTIFY ESTABLISH BY REGULATION THE SERVICES THAT A COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCE SHALL PROVIDE TO QUALIFY AS A COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCE, ~~WHICH MAY INCLUDE THE PROVISION OF FAMILY MEDICINE, GENERAL INTERNAL MEDICINE, GENERAL PEDIATRIC CARE, LABORATORY SERVICES, PHARMACY SERVICES, AND OBSTETRIC AND GYNECOLOGY SERVICES~~ UNDER THIS SUBTITLE; AND

~~(H)~~ (3) REQUIRE COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES TO SUBMIT A PLAN TO THE COMMISSION ON HOW THE COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCE WILL PROVIDE OR ARRANGE TO PROVIDE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES;

~~(H)~~ (4) IDENTIFY AND SEEK FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING FOR THE EXPANSION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES;

~~(4)~~ ADMINISTER OPERATING AND CAPITAL GRANT FUND PROGRAMS FOR QUALIFYING COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES;

(5) ESTABLISH BY REGULATION THE CRITERIA FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES TO QUALIFY FOR ~~CAPITAL AND~~ OPERATING GRANTS AND PROCEDURES FOR APPLYING FOR ~~CAPITAL AND~~ OPERATING GRANTS;

(6) ~~ASSIST INDIVIDUALS UNDER 300% OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL WHO DO NOT HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE TO ACCESS HEALTH CARE THROUGH~~ ADMINISTER OPERATING GRANT FUND PROGRAMS FOR QUALIFYING COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES;

(7) TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION REGIONAL DISPARITIES IN INCOME AND THE COST OF MEDICAL SERVICES, ESTABLISH GUIDELINES FOR SLIDING SCALE FEE PAYMENTS ~~BY INDIVIDUALS SERVED BY COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES WHO ARE AT COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES THAT ARE NOT FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS, FOR INDIVIDUALS WHOSE FAMILY INCOME IS~~ BETWEEN 100% AND ~~300%~~ 200% OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL GUIDELINES;

~~(8) IDENTIFY AND PROVIDE ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, TO ENABLE COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES TO RECEIVE FEDERAL OR STATE DESIGNATIONS FOR WHICH THE RESOURCE MAY BE ELIGIBLE;~~

~~(9) WORK IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE OFFICE OF PRIMARY CARE IN THE IDENTIFICATION OF THE STATE'S HEALTH PROFESSIONAL SHORTAGE AREAS, MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED AREAS, AND MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS;~~

~~(10) (H) IDENTIFY METHODS TO INCREASE THE REIMBURSEMENT RATES PAID BY PUBLIC AND PRIVATE INSURERS TO HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS WHO PROVIDE SERVICES THROUGH COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES; AND~~