PROCUREMENT ARTICLE, SUPPORT SMOKING CESSATION AND CANCER PREVENTION, SCREENING, DIACNOSIS, AND TREATMENT INITIATIVES; AND

- (15) DEVELOP A SLIDING FEE SCALE FOR SPECIALTY CARE PROVIDED TO COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES MEMBERS.
- (B) IN DEVELOPING CRITERIA UNDER SUBSECTION (A)(5) OF THIS SECTION FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES TO QUALIFY FOR CAPITAL AND OPERATING GRANTS. THE COMMISSION SHALL:
 - (1) CONSIDER GEOGRAPHIC BALANCE; AND
 - (2) GIVE PRIORITY TO COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES THAT:
- (I) IN ADDITION TO NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS, HAVE EVENING AND WEEKEND HOURS OF OPERATION; OR
- (II) HAVE PARTNERED WITH A HOSPITAL TO ESTABLISH A REVERSE REFERRAL PROGRAM AT THE HOSPITAL.
- (C) ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2006, THE COMMISSION SHALL ADOPT RECULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE PROGRAMS REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (A)(12) OF THIS SECTION.
- (8) <u>IDENTIFY PROGRAMS AND POLICIES TO ENCOURAGE SPECIALIST</u>
 PROVIDERS TO SERVE INDIVIDUALS REFERRED FROM COMMUNITY HEALTH
 RESOURCES;
- (9) IDENTIFY PROGRAMS AND POLICIES TO ENCOURAGE HOSPITALS AND COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES TO PARTNER TO INCREASE ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE SERVICES;
- (10) ESTABLISH A REVERSE REFERRAL PILOT PROGRAM UNDER WHICH A HOSPITAL WILL IDENTIFY AND ASSIST PATIENTS IN ACCESSING HEALTH CARE SERVICES THROUGH A COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCE;
- (11) WORK WITH COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES, HOSPITAL SYSTEMS, AND OTHERS TO DEVELOP A UNIFIED INFORMATION AND DATA MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR USE BY ALL COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES THAT IS INTEGRATED WITH THE LOCAL HOSPITAL SYSTEMS TO TRACK THE TREATMENT OF INDIVIDUAL PATIENTS AND THAT PROVIDES REAL-TIME INDICATORS OF AVAILABLE RESOURCES;
- (12) WORK IN COOPERATION WITH CLINICAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMS, AREA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTERS, AND TELEMEDICINE CENTERS TO ENHANCE ACCESS TO QUALITY PRIMARY AND SPECIALTY HEALTH CARE FOR INDIVIDUALS IN RURAL AND UNDERSERVED AREAS REFERRED BY COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES;
- (13) EVALUATE THE FEASIBILITY OF DEVELOPING A CAPITAL GRANT PROGRAM FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES THAT ARE NOT FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS;