COVERED BY THE POLICY, CONTRACT, OR CERTIFICATE, IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR SUCH SERVICE, WHETHER THE SERVICE IS PERFORMED BY A DOCTOR OF MEDICINE OR A DULY CERTIFIED NURSE ANESTHETIST.

(B) (2) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION APPLY TO ALL SUCH POLICIES, CONTRACTS, OR CERTIFICATES ISSUED, RENEWED, MODIFIED, ALTERED, AMENDED, OR REISSUED ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 1984.

## Article - Health Occupations

## 31. Miscellaneous

7-504.

- (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
- (2) "NURSE ANESTHETIST" MEANS A REGISTERED NURSE WHO
- (I) CERTIFIED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE TO PRACTICE NURSE ANESTHESIA; AND
- (II) CERTIFIED BY THE COUNCIL ON CERTIFICATION OR THE COUNCIL ON RECERTIFICATION OF NURSE ANESTHETISTS.
- [(a)] (B) [In this section "nurse] "NURSE midwife" means a registered nurse who is certified under this title to practice nurse midwifery and who is also certified by the American College of Nurse Midwives.
- [(b)] (C) The Board shall appoint separate peer review committees to oversee the use of health insurance and medical assistance benefits by:
  - (1) CERTIFIED NURSE ANESTHETISTS;
  - [(1)] (2) Certified nurse midwives;
  - [(2)] (3) Certified nurse practitioners; and
- [(3)] (4) Any other licensee with a nursing specialty that has been approved for third party reimbursement conditioned on peer review.

## Article - Health - General

15-103.

- (a) (1) The Secretary shall administer the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.
  - (2) The Program: