

(1) A hospital accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals and defined in § 19-301 of this article; and

(2) An alcoholism treatment program accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals.

(d) The Department shall adopt regulations for establishing, operating, and certifying alcohol abuse facilities, including standards relating to:

(1) Alcoholism treatment and rehabilitation services; and

(2) Environmental and safety requirements concerning physical plant, equipment, and structure.

(e) The Department shall issue a certificate to an alcohol abuse facility that meets the certification requirements under this section.

(f) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, an alcohol abuse facility must be certified by the Department before the facility may operate in this State.

(2) WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER AN APPLICATION FOR AN INITIAL CERTIFICATION IS RECEIVED, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL GIVE THE GOVERNING BODIES OF THE COUNTY AND THE MUNICIPALITY AND, UPON REQUEST, THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FROM THE DISTRICT WHERE THE ALCOHOL ABUSE FACILITY IS TO BE LOCATED NOTICE OF THE FILING OF THE APPLICATION, IF THE FACILITY IS DESIGNED FOR RESIDENTIAL LIVING BY 4 OR MORE UNRELATED PEOPLE.

(G) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE BY DECEMBER 1ST OF EACH YEAR CONCERNING EACH ALCOHOL ABUSE FACILITY PROPOSED DURING THE PRECEDING YEAR. THIS REPORT SHALL DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING:

(1) WHETHER THE NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT HAS FACILITATED THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF THE FACILITY; AND

(2) THE OVERALL SUCCESS OR FAILURE OF ESTABLISHING THE FACILITY IN THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY.

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A person or public body shall be certified by the Administration before the person or body may treat an individual who seeks treatment for drug abuse or may offer to the individual any treatment, service, or method of rehabilitation.

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