

Article - Health Occupations
Section 4-314(a)(23) and (24)
Annotated Code of Maryland
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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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4-314.

(a) Subject to the hearing provisions of § 4-317 of this subtitle, the Board may deny a general license to practice dentistry, a limited license to practice dentistry, or a teacher's license to practice dentistry to any applicant, reprimand any licensed dentist, place any licensed dentist on probation, or suspend or revoke the license of any licensed dentist, if the applicant or licensee:

(23) Abrogates or forgives the copayment provisions of any insurance policy, insurance contract, health prepayment contract, health care plan, or nonprofit health service plan contract by accepting the payment received from a third party as full payment, unless the dentist discloses to the third party that the patient's payment portion will not be collected; [or]

(24) Uses or promotes or causes the use of any misleading, deceiving, or untruthful advertising matter, promotional literature or testimonial[.]; OR

(25) (I) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, DIVIDES A FEE WITH ANOTHER DENTIST IF THE DIVISION IS NOT IN PROPORTION TO THE SERVICES PERFORMED AND THE RESPONSIBILITY ASSUMED BY EACH DENTIST OR-IF-THE-TOTAL FEES FEE IS-UNREASONABLE.

(II) A DENTIST MAY DIVIDE A FEE WITH ANOTHER DENTIST WHO IS A PARTNER OR AN ASSOCIATE IN THE SAME DENTAL PRACTICE IF DIVIDING THE FEE DOES NOT INCREASE THE FEE FOR THE SERVICE CHARGED TO THE PATIENT.