

(a) In this section, ["alcohol abuse facility"] "~~ADDICTION~~
ALCOHOL ABUSE AND DRUG ABUSE TREATMENT FACILITY":

(1) Means any facility that provides treatment, care, and rehabilitation for individuals who show the effects of DRUG ABUSE, alcohol abuse, or alcoholism; and

(2) Includes a facility that is owned or operated by this State or any of its political subdivisions.

(b) This section does not apply to:

(1) The office of a physician who is treating patients within the scope of the physician's practice;

(2) Alcoholics Anonymous, NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, transitional housing programs, or other similar organizations, if the organization holds meetings or provides support services to help individuals who show the effects of DRUG ABUSE, alcohol abuse, or alcoholism;

(3) An employees' assistance program of a business entity; or

(4) The American Council on Alcoholism, Inc.

(c) Unless [certification is] requested, THE CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS OF this section [does] DO not apply to the following facilities:

(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] ~~ADDICTION~~
ALCOHOL ABUSE AND DRUG ABUSE TREATMENT FACILITY accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals.

(D) AN INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITY-ALCOHOLIC (TYPE C OR D) SHALL BE CERTIFIED AS AN INTERMEDIATE CARE ~~ADDICTION~~ ALCOHOL ABUSE AND DRUG ABUSE TREATMENT FACILITY.

[(d)] (E) The Department shall adopt regulations for establishing, operating, and certifying [alcohol abuse] ~~ADDICTION~~
ALCOHOL ABUSE AND DRUG ABUSE TREATMENT facilities [, including standards relating to] THAT INCLUDE:

(1) [Alcoholism] PROCEDURES FOR CONSULTING WITH THE STATE ALCOHOLISM CONTROL ADMINISTRATION TO SET STANDARDS RELATING TO ALCOHOLISM treatment and rehabilitation services; [and]