

(b) (C) This subtitle applies to the provision of home health care services by a hospital or related institution to 2 or more unrelated individuals, whether the services are provided directly or under contract with a home health agency.

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(A) EXCEPT FOR A HOME, RELATED INSTITUTION, OR FACILITY LICENSED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE OR OTHERWISE LICENSED, CERTIFIED, OR APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT, A HOME OR RELATED INSTITUTION THAT PROVIDES DOMICILIARY CARE FOR 2 3 OR MORE UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS SHALL REGISTER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OR THE AGENCY DESIGNATED BY THE DEPARTMENT:

(1) IF ANY RESIDENT OF THE HOME OR RELATED INSTITUTION RECEIVES PUBLIC FUNDS FOR ALL OR PART OF THE RESIDENT'S SUPPORT; AND

(2) BEFORE A PUBLIC AGENCY OR ANY ORGANIZATION THAT RECEIVES PUBLIC FUNDS MAY REFER ANY INDIVIDUAL TO THE HOME OR RELATED INSTITUTION.

(B) UNLESS A HOME OR RELATED INSTITUTION REGISTERS AS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION, A PUBLIC AGENCY OR A PRIVATE ORGANIZATION THAT RECEIVES PUBLIC FUNDS MAY NOT REFER INDIVIDUALS TO THE HOME OR RELATED INSTITUTION.

(C) A HOME OR RELATED INSTITUTION THAT REGISTERS UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL:

(1) PROVIDE THE REQUIRED INFORMATION TO THE DEPARTMENT ON THE DESIGNATED FORM AT LEAST ONCE DURING EACH 12-MONTH PERIOD; AND

(2) AT THE REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT, CONSENT TO ANY REASONABLE INSPECTION OF THE PREMISES AND EXAMINATION OF RECORDS.

(D) THE SECRETARY SHALL ADOPT RULES AND REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Secretary by regulation shall set a reasonable period not less than 6 months from the date of enactment of this bill to allow domiciliary care homes subject to registration under this Act to comply with the provisions of this Act.

SECTION ~~2~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1987.

Approved June 2, 1987.