

AN ACT concerning

Health Claims Arbitration Office -
Certificates of Qualified Experts

FOR the purpose of requiring the Director of the Health Claims Arbitration Office to forward to the Commission on Medical Discipline, or its successor, copies of certain certificates of qualified experts filed with the Director; and clarifying when the Director is required to forward copies of a claim to the Commission on Medical Discipline, or its successor, and the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty of the State of Maryland.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3-2A-04(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1984 Replacement Volume and 1987 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3-2A-04(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1984 Replacement Volume and 1987 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

3-2A-04.

(a) (1) A person having a claim against a health care provider for damage due to a medical injury shall file his claim with the Director, and, IF THE CLAIM IS AGAINST A PHYSICIAN, the Director shall forward copies of the claim to the Commission on Medical Discipline of Maryland, OR ITS SUCCESSOR, and the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty of the State of Maryland. The Director shall cause a copy of the claim to be served upon the health care provider by the appropriate sheriff in accordance with the Maryland Rules. The health care provider shall file a response with the Director and serve a copy on the claimant and all other health care providers named therein within the time provided in the Maryland Rules for filing a responsive pleading to a