

- (3) THE MARYLAND HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION;
- (4) ALL HOSPITAL UTILIZATION REVIEW PROGRAMS; AND
- (5) ANY OTHER BUSINESS OR LABOR ORGANIZATION REQUESTING THE LIST.
- 19-1310.

THE SECRETARY MAY ESTABLISH REPORTING REQUIREMENTS TO:

- (1) EVALUATE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF PRIVATE REVIEW AGENTS; AND
- (2) DETERMINE IF THE UTILIZATION REVIEW PROGRAMS ARE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION AND APPLICABLE REGULATIONS.

19-1311.

A PRIVATE REVIEW AGENT MAY NOT DISCLOSE OR PUBLISH INDIVIDUAL MEDICAL RECORDS OR ANY OTHER CONFIDENTIAL MEDICAL INFORMATION OBTAINED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF UTILIZATION REVIEW ACTIVITIES.

19-1312.

A PERSON WHO VIOLATES ANY PROVISION OF THIS SUBTITLE OR ANY REGULATION ADOPTED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A PENALTY NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000. EACH DAY A VIOLATION IS CONTINUED AFTER THE FIRST CONVICTION IS A SEPARATE OFFENSE.

19-1313.

(A) ANY PERSON AGGRIEVED BY A FINAL DECISION OF THE SECRETARY IN A CONTESTED CASE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE MAY TAKE A DIRECT JUDICIAL APPEAL.

(B) THE APPEAL SHALL BE MADE AS PROVIDED FOR THE JUDICIAL REVIEW OF FINAL DECISIONS UNDER TITLE 10, SUBTITLE 2 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

19-710.

(j) (1) With the approval of the Department, the health maintenance organization shall provide continuous internal peer review for monitoring and evaluating patient records for:

[(1)] (I) Quality of care; and

[(2)] (II) Over use and under use of provider care;

AND