

INDEFINITE--PERIOD CONTINUE UNLESS TERMINATED UNDER THE TERMS OF THE CONTRACT BY THE PROGRAM OR BY THE PROVIDER.

15-103.1.

THE PROGRAM SHALL USE ITS LEVERAGE AS A HIGH VOLUME PURCHASER TO PROMOTE THE COST EFFECTIVENESS OF MARYLAND'S HEALTH CARE SYSTEM.

15-106.1-

(A)--THE--DEPARTMENT--SHALL--REGULARLY--REVIEW--THE--PROGRAM'S REGULATIONS--TO--DETERMINE--WHETHER--THE--ADMINISTRATIVE--REQUIREMENTS OF--THOSE--REGULATIONS--ARE--UNNECESSARILY--BURDENSOME--ON--PROGRAM RECIPIENTS--OR--PROVIDERS.

(B)--IF--IN--ACCORDANCE--WITH--THE--PROVISIONS--OF--SUBSECTION--(A) OF--THIS--SECTION,--THE--DEPARTMENT--DETERMINES--THAT--THE ADMINISTRATIVE--REQUIREMENTS--OF--THE--PROGRAM'S--REGULATIONS--ARE UNNECESSARILY--BURDENSOME,--THE--DEPARTMENT--SHALL--AMEND--THE PROGRAM'S--REGULATIONS--APPROPRIATELY.

15-106.2-

UNLESS--THE--SECRETARY--DETERMINES--THAT--AN--URGENT--NEED--EXISTS TO--AMEND--THE--PROGRAM'S--REGULATIONS,--ALL--CHANGES--TO--THOSE REGULATIONS--SHALL--BE--AT--REGULAR--FIXED--INTERVALS.

15-120.1-

(A)--SUBJECT--TO--THE--PROVISIONS--OF--§§--15-120,--15-121,--AND 15-122--OF--THIS--TITLE,--THE--DEPARTMENT--SHALL--SEEK--TO--RECOVER--ALL MONEY--EXPENDED--BY--THE--DEPARTMENT--ON--BEHALF--OF--A--PROGRAM--RECIPIENT FROM--ALL--PERSONS--LIABLE--FOR--THE--MEDICAL--CARE--EXPENSES--OF--THE PROGRAM--RECIPIENT.

(B)--(1)--THE--DEPARTMENT--SHALL--ADOPT--REGULATIONS--TO--IMPLEMENT THE--PROVISIONS--OF--SUBSECTION--(A)--OF--THIS--SECTION,--INCLUDING REGULATIONS--ESTABLISHING--SEPARATE--CRITERIA--FOR--SEEKING--RECOVERY FOR--MONEY--EXPENDED--BY--THE--DEPARTMENT--FROM:

(i)--1.--PROGRAM--RECIPIENTS;--AND

2.--GUARDIANS--AND--PERSONAL--REPRESENTATIVES OF--PROGRAM--RECIPIENTS;--AND

(ii)--THIRD--PARTY--PAYORS.

(2)--THE--REGULATIONS--ESTABLISHING--CRITERIA--FOR--SEEKING RECOVERY--FOR--MONEY--EXPENDED--BY--THE--DEPARTMENT--FROM--PROGRAM RECIPIENTS--AND--GUARDIANS--AND--PERSONAL--REPRESENTATIVES--OF--PROGRAM RECIPIENTS--SHALL--BE--BASED--ON--AN--INDIVIDUAL'S--ABILITY--TO--PAY.