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(9) PROMOTE INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAINTAINING GOOD HEALTH HABITS;

~~(9)~~ (10) ENCOURAGE THE PROGRAM AND MARYLAND'S HEALTH CARE REGULATORY SYSTEM SHALL TO WORK TO COOPERATIVELY PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN APPROPRIATE MIX OF HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS, LIMIT COST INCREASES FOR THE DELIVERY OF HEALTH CARE TO PROGRAM RECIPIENTS, AND INSURE THE DELIVERY OF QUALITY HEALTH CARE TO PROGRAM RECIPIENTS;

~~(10)~~ THE PROGRAM SHALL (11) ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT AND UTILIZATION OF COST-EFFECTIVE AND PREVENTIVE ALTERNATIVES TO THE DELIVERY OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES TO APPROPRIATE PROGRAM RECIPIENTS IN INPATIENT INSTITUTIONAL SETTINGS;

~~(11)~~ (12) ENCOURAGE THE APPROPRIATE EXECUTIVE AGENCIES SHALL TO COORDINATE THE ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION, POLICY, OPERATIONS, AND COMPLIANCE COMPONENTS OF THE PROGRAM;

~~(12)~~ RECOGNIZING THAT THE HIGH COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE DELIVERY OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES IN INPATIENT INSTITUTIONAL SETTINGS DRIVES THE PROGRAM'S BUDGET, THE PROGRAM SHALL (13) WORK WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THOSE INPATIENT INSTITUTIONS, THIRD PARTY PAYORS, AND THE APPROPRIATE STATE AGENCIES TO CONTAIN PROGRAM COSTS;

~~(13)~~ THE PROGRAM SHALL WORK WITH THOSE STATE AGENCIES THAT PROVIDE, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, FOR THE DELIVERY OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES TO (14) IDENTIFY AND SEEK TO DEVELOP AN OPTIMAL MIX OF STATE, FEDERAL, AND PRIVATELY FINANCED HEALTH CARE SERVICES FOR PROGRAM RECIPIENTS, WITHIN AVAILABLE RESOURCES THROUGH COOPERATIVE INTERAGENCY EFFORTS;

~~(14)~~ THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH SHALL WORK IN CONJUNCTION (15) DEVELOP JOINT LEGISLATIVE AND EXECUTIVE BRANCH STRATEGIES TO PERSUADE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO RECONSIDER THOSE POLICIES THAT DISCOURAGE THE DELIVERY OF COST EFFECTIVE HEALTH CARE TO PROGRAM RECIPIENTS;

~~(15)~~ IF FUNDS BECOME AVAILABLE, EITHER THROUGH ADDITIONAL REVENUES OR THROUGH PROGRAM SAVINGS, THE PROGRAM SHALL MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PROGRAM EXPANSION TO SERVE (16) EVALUATE DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO THOSE PERSONS IN GREATEST WHOSE FINANCIAL NEED AND WHOSE OR HEALTH CARE NEEDS THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES AS MOST CRITICAL ARE MOST ACUTE;

~~(16)~~ THE DEPARTMENT SHALL IMPLEMENT THE POLICIES REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION; AND

~~(17)~~ THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONDUCT ONGOING EVALUATIONS OF THE PROGRAM TO ASSESS THE PROGRAM'S CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS