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IMPROVING--MARYLAND'S--HEALTH--CARE--DELIVERY--SYSTEM--AND-HEALTH
STATUS-OF-THE-INDIGENT-POPULATION: AND

RECOVERIES AGAINST THIRD PARTIES PERMITTED UNDER CURRENT LAW AND EXPLORING ADDITIONAL METHODS FOR SEEKING TO RECOVER OTHER MONEYS EXPENDED BY THE PROGRAM.

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THE--BEPARTMENT--SHALL-EVALUATE-AND-REPORT-TO-THE-MEMBERS-OF THE-GENERAL-ASSEMBLY-ON-OR-BEFORE-DECEMBER-1-OF-EACH-YEAR-ON--THE IMPACT---OF---CHANGES---IN---TERMS---OF---QUALITY,---ACCESS,--AND COST-EFFECTIVENESS-MADE-TO-THE-PROGRAM.

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(a) (1) The Secretary shall administer the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

(2) The Program:

- (i) Shall provide comprehensive medical and other health care for indigent individuals or medically indigent individuals or both;
- (ii) Shall provide, subject to the limitations of the State budget and the availability of federal funds, comprehensive medical and other health care for all pregnant women and, at a minimum, all children currently under the age of 1 [and each succeeding year increasing to the age of 3] who-fall WHOSE FAMILY INCOME FALLS below 185 PERCENT OF THE poverty level, as permitted by the federal Omnibus-Budget-Reconciliation-Act--of [1986]-1987 LAW; [and]
- (III) SHALL PROVIDE, SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATIONS OF THE STATE BUDGET AND THE AVAILABILITY OF FEDERAL FUNDS, COMPREHENSIVE MEDICAL AND OTHER HEALTH CARE FOR ALL CHILDREN BETWEEN FROM THE AGES AGE OF 1 YEAR AND-3-YEARS-WHO-FALL UP THROUGH AND INCLUDING THE AGE OF 2 YEARS WHOSE FAMILY INCOME FALLS BELOW 100 PERCENT OF THE POVERTY LEVEL, AS PERMITTED BY THE FEDERAL OMNIBUS-BUDGET-RECONCIDINATION-ACT-OF-1987;-AND LAW;
- (IV) MAY PROVIDE, SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATIONS OF THE STATE BUDGET AND THE AVAILABILITY OF FEDERAL FUNDS, COMPREHENSIVE MEDICAL CARE AND OTHER HEALTH CARE FOR ALL CHILDREN FROM THE AGE OF 3 UP THROUGH AND INCLUDING THE AGE OF 7 WHOSE FAMILY INCOME FALLS BELOW 100 PERCENT OF THE POVERTY LEVEL, AS PERMITTED BY FEDERAL LAW; AND

[(iii)] $(\mp \forall +)$ (V) May include bedside nursing care for eligible Program recipients.