

- (6) Medical social services;
- (7) Nursing;
- (8) Occupational therapy;
- (9) Physical therapy; and
- (10) Provision of INVASIVE medical equipment [and supplies except if:

(i) The services rendered involve only the instruction, delivery, installation, maintenance, or replacement of noninvasive, over-the-counter medical equipment and supplies; or

(ii) The person providing the medical equipment and supplies also provides or arranges to provide the client with assistance in the event of equipment failure].

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(a) The Department shall adopt regulations that set standards for the care, treatment, health, safety, welfare, and comfort of individuals who receive home health care services through a residential service agency.

(b) The regulations shall provide for the licensing of residential service agencies and the annual renewal of licenses.

(c) The regulations shall require the Secretary to charge fees in a manner which will produce funds sufficient to at least cover the actual direct or indirect costs of the inspection and licensure of residential service agencies under this subtitle.

(d) The regulations shall include provisions that:

- (1) Provide for the establishment of residential service agencies;
- (2) Establish qualifications for licensure;
- (3) Set minimum standards for individuals who provide home health care services through a residential service agency; and
- (4) Require the residential service agency to screen and verify the character references of all home health care providers that are employed by the residential service agency.

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SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1990. [It shall remain effective for a period of three years and, at the end of June 30, 1993, and with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Health Resources Planning Commission shall conduct a comprehensive study of community-based long term care services, including but not limited to home health agencies, residential service