- (2) "Residential service agency" includes any agency that employs or contracts with individuals directly for hire as home health care providers.
 - (3) "Residential service agency" does not include:
- (i) A home health agency that is licensed under the provisions of Subtitle 4 of this title;
- (ii) A person required to be licensed as a home health agency under the provisions of Subtitle 4 of this title;
- (iii) A home based hospice care program that is licensed under the provisions of Subtitle 9 of this title;
- (iv) A hospital that is licensed under the provisions of Subtitle 3 of this title;
- (v) A related institution that is licensed under the provisions of Subtitle 3 of this title;
- (vi) A nurse registry that is licensed under the provisions of the Maryland Employment Agency Act that:
- 1. Screens or refers individuals for a client's selection or rejection, as its sole business operation; and
 - 2. Does not itself provide any home health care service;
- (vii) Personal care providers under the Medical Assistance Personal Care Program;
- (viii) Any person practicing a health occupation that the person is authorized to practice under the Health Occupations Article;
- · (ix) A group of persons licensed under the same title of the Health Occupations Article practicing as a business; or
- (x) Residential rehabilitation services providers approved under regulations adopted by the State Mental Health Authority.

THIS SUBTITLE DOES NOT:

- (1) LIMIT THE RIGHT OF ANY PERSON TO PRACTICE A HEALTH OCCUPATION THAT THE INDIVIDUAL IS AUTHORIZED TO PRACTICE UNDER THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS ARTICLE OF THE CODE;
- (2) LIMIT THE RIGHT OF ANY PERSON WHO HOLDS A LICENSE UNDER THIS ARTICLE TO PERFORM ACTIVITIES AUTHORIZED BY THAT LICENSE; OR