

(b) (1) To assure compliance with the standards adopted under this subtitle, the Secretary shall have an inspection made:

(i) Of each related institution and each nonaccredited hospital for which a license is sought; and

(ii) Periodically of each related institution and each nonaccredited hospital for which a license has been issued.

(2) An accredited hospital shall be subject to inspections under this subtitle by the Department [only for the purpose of complaint investigation.] FOR:

~~(I) TO INVESTIGATE COMPLAINTS OR ALLEGATIONS CONCERNING PATIENT'S HEALTH AND SAFETY;~~

~~(II) TO DETERMINE COMPLIANCE WITH LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR RISK MANAGEMENT, UTILIZATION REVIEW, AND PHYSICIAN CREDENTIALING UNDER § 19-319 OF THIS SUBTITLE;~~

~~(III) TO DETERMINE PROGRESS TOWARD CORRECTIVE ACTION WHEN THE JOINT COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION OF HEALTH CARE ORGANIZATIONS HAS IDENTIFIED A TYPE I FINDING;~~

~~(IV) TO VALIDATE A FINDING MADE BY THE JOINT COMMISSION OF HEALTH CARE ORGANIZATIONS; OR~~

~~(V) TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.~~

(I) A COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 19-309 OF THIS PART;

(II) REVIEWING COMPLIANCE WITH LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR RISK MANAGEMENT, UTILIZATION REVIEW, AND PHYSICIAN CREDENTIALING UNDER § 19-319 OF THIS SUBTITLE; OR

(III) REVIEWING COMPLIANCE WITH A WRITTEN PROGRESS REPORT OR OTHER DOCUMENTATION OF CORRECTIVE ACTION IN RESPONSE TO A FOCUSED SURVEY SUBMITTED BY THE HOSPITAL TO THE JOINT COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION OF HEALTH CARE ORGANIZATIONS IN RESPONSE TO A TYPE I FINDING THAT THE HOSPITAL IS ONLY IN PARTIAL COMPLIANCE WITH THE PATIENT CARE STANDARDS ESTABLISHED BY THE JOINT COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION OF HEALTH CARE ORGANIZATIONS.

(3) WHEN CONDUCTING AN INSPECTION OF AN ACCREDITED HOSPITAL, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL USE THE CURRENT STANDARDS OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION OF HEALTH CARE ORGANIZATIONS.

[(3)](4) A hospital that begins initial operation on or after July 1, 1982 shall be inspected for compliance with the safety and sanitation components of the regulations promulgated by the Department. If the hospital has not applied for