

Article 48A – Insurance Code

Section 354A(d), 354D, 354J, 470E, 477E, 477M, 490F, and 490V

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1991 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Health – General

Section 19-703(f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 48A – Insurance Code

Section 490V

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1991 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 19-703.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 843 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1986, as amended by Chapter 552 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1989, as amended by Chapter 300 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1991, as amended by Chapter 585 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1992

Section 3

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 48A – Insurance Code

354A.

[(d) (1) Each hospital or medical contract or certificate delivered or issued for delivery within this State by a nonprofit health service organization that provides coverage for health care may not discriminate against any person with a mental illness by failing to provide benefits for treatment and diagnosis of mental illness under the same terms and conditions that apply to the majority of comparable benefits available under the contract or certificate any other type of health care.

(2) The benefits required under this subsection shall be offered in addition to and not as a substitution for the benefits required under § 354D of this subtitle.