BY adding to

    Article – Health Occupations

    Section 14–509

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BY adding to

    Article 48A – Insurance Code

    ~~Section 354LL(e), 354PP, 361F(d), 470S(d), 470BB(e), 470FF, 477Y(d), 477LL(e),~~

    Section ~~35PP, 354Z(h), 470FF, 470U(h), 477AA(h)~~ *354PP, 470FF,* 477PP, and 490BB

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

Article – Health – General

17–215.1.

(A)   A LABORATORY THAT REQUIRES A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER TO SUBMIT A WRITTEN REFERRAL TO RECEIVE LABORATORY SERVICES SHALL ACCEPT THE UNIFORM LABORATORY REFERRAL FORM ADOPTED BY THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER UNDER ARTICLE 48A, § 490BB OF THE CODE AS THE SOLE INSTRUMENT FOR REFERRALS FOR LABORATORY SERVICES.

(B)   A LABORATORY MAY NOT IMPOSE ANY REQUIREMENT TO:

    (1)   MODIFY THE UNIFORM LABORATORY REFERRAL FORM; OR

    (2)   SUBMIT ADDITIONAL LABORATORY REFERRAL FORMS.

~~19–713.1.~~

~~(a)   A contract between a health maintenance organization and its subscribers or a group of subscribers may contain nonduplication provisions or provisions to coordinate the coverage with subscriber contracts of other health maintenance organizations, health insurance policies, including those of nonprofit health service plans, and with other established programs under which the subscriber or member may make a claim.~~

~~(B)   (1)   IF A CONTRACT BETWEEN A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION AND ITS SUBSCRIBERS OR A GROUP OF SUBSCRIBERS CONTAINS A NONDUPLICATION PROVISION OR A PROVISION TO COORDINATE THE COVERAGE WITH OTHER SUBSCRIBER CONTRACTS OF OTHER HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS, HEALTH INSURANCE POLICIES, AND OTHER ESTABLISHED PROGRAMS UNDER WHICH THE SUBSCRIBER OR MEMBER MAY MAKE A CLAIM, THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION SHALL USE THE UNIFORM COORDINATION OF BENEFITS FORM ADOPTED BY THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER UNDER ARTICLE 48A, § 490BB OF THE CODE AS THE SOLE INSTRUMENT FOR DETERMINING~~