

(2) A CARRIER SHALL REIMBURSE THE PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVIDER'S AGREEMENT WITH THE CARRIER.

~~(H)~~ ~~(I)~~ (K) THE COMMISSIONER SHALL:

(1) ADOPT REGULATIONS CONCERNING THE APPLICATION PROCESS THAT CARRIERS SHALL USE TO PROCESS APPLICATIONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN A CARRIER'S PROVIDER PANEL; AND

(2) IN CONSULTATION WITH THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE, ADOPT STRATEGIES THAT WOULD ASSIST CARRIERS IN MAXIMIZING THE OPPORTUNITY OF A BROAD RANGE OF MINORITY PROVIDERS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DELIVERY OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES.

Article — Health Occupations

14-411.

(a) In this section, "record" means the proceedings, records, or files of the Board.

(b) Except as otherwise expressly provided in this section, the Board or any of its investigatory bodies may not disclose any information contained in a record.

(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent or limit the disclosure of general licensure, certification, or registration information maintained by the Board, if the request for release complies with the criteria of § 10-617(h) of the State Government Article.

(d) The Board shall disclose any information contained in a record to a committee of a hospital, health maintenance organization, or related institution if:

(1) The committee of a medical hospital staff concerned with physician discipline or other committee of a hospital, health maintenance organization, or related institution requests the information in writing;

(2) The Board has issued an order as to a licensed physician on whom the information is requested; and

(3) The Board determines that the information requested is necessary for an investigation or action of the committee as to a medical privilege of a licensed physician.

(e) (1) The Board shall notify all hospitals, health maintenance organizations, or other health care facilities where a physician or an allied health professional regulated by the Board has privileges, has a provider contract with a health maintenance organization, or is employed of a complaint or report filed against that physician, if:

(i) The Board determines, in its discretion, that the hospital, health maintenance organization, or health care facility should be informed about the report or complaint;

(ii) The nature of the complaint suggests a reasonable possibility of an imminent threat to patient safety; or