- (2) Assigns to the State any right, title, and interest in support from any other person that the applicant or recipient has in his own behalf or in behalf of any other family member for whom he is applying for or receiving assistance, including any right accrued when the assignment is executed;
- (3) Lives in a family home in which there is no reasonable indication of neglect, as that term is defined in the law applicable to juvenile causes in the county or Baltimore City where the child resides, which meets the standards of care and health fixed by the laws of this State and any rules and regulations adopted pursuant to them, and in which, if possible, the child's particular religious faith is fostered and protected except that if an otherwise eligible child is living in a home in which there is indicated neglect or which does not appear to meet the standards of care and health, assistance shall be given or continued as follows:
- (i) During a period of 90 days in which the local unit is investigating the home, helping the child's parents or custodian to eliminate the indicated neglect or substandard conditions of care and health, or assisting the parent or custodian to make plans for the child;
- (ii) Pending investigation and determination of neglect by the juvenile court on petition filed by the local unit or others;
- (iii) When, after determining that neglect exists, the court shall permit the child to remain in the home under supervision of a probation officer or the local unit pending placement elsewhere or while intensive efforts are being made to ameliorate the conditions resulting in the child's neglect; and
- (iv) During such time as the local unit, after the expiration of the ninety-day period, shall inadvertently fail to file the petition alleging neglect or the court, for any reason, shall fail to dispose of the petition; and
- (4) Meets the other requirements determined by the Administration.] [48A.

If upon investigation it is determined by a local unit that there is reasonable cause to believe that a child for whom assistance is sought or is being paid is neglected, the local unit shall:

- (1) Fully inform the person having the child in care as to the nature of the apparent neglect and the conditions under which assistance may be given or continued;
- (2) Afford the person having the child in care a sufficient period, not exceeding ninety days, in which to either eliminate indicated neglect or substandard conditions of health and care, or to make plans for the child; and
- (3) At the expiration of such period, and in any event no later than ninety days after its commencement, if the child remains in the person's home and the conditions of apparent neglect have not been corrected, file a petition in the appropriate juvenile court alleging neglect; and said petition may be filed notwithstanding the person's withdrawing his application for public assistance.]