

(III) INCLUDE ANY SERVICES REQUIRED BY THE ATTENDING PROVIDER.

(3) THE HOME VISIT PROVIDED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION:

(F) SHALL BE SCHEDULED TO OCCUR WITHIN 24 HOURS AFTER HOSPITAL DISCHARGE, AND

(H) SHALL INCLUDE ANY SERVICES REQUIRED BY THE ATTENDING PROVIDER.

(E) (1) THE PRIVATE REVIEW AGENT OR HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION MAY NOT REQUIRE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION FROM, REQUIRE ADDITIONAL UTILIZATION REVIEW OF, OR OTHERWISE PROVIDE FINANCIAL DISINCENTIVES FOR AN ATTENDING PROVIDER WHO ORDERS CARE CONSISTENT WITH THE TERMS OF THIS SECTION OR WITH THE TERMS OF § 19-703 OF THIS ARTICLE OR ARTICLE 48A, §§ 354F, 470H, OR 477-I RELATED TO HOSPITALIZATION OF A NEWBORN FOR WHICH COVERAGE IS REQUIRED TO BE PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION, § 19-703 OF THIS ARTICLE, OR ARTICLE 48A, §§ 354F, 470H, OR 477-I OF THE CODE.

(2) THE PRIVATE REVIEW AGENT, HOSPITAL, OR HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION MAY NOT DENY, LIMIT, OR OTHERWISE IMPAIR THE PARTICIPATION OF AN ATTENDING PROVIDER UNDER A CONTRACT OR ANY PRIVILEGE GRANTED AN ATTENDING PROVIDER WHO ADVOCATES MORE THAN 48 HOURS OF INPATIENT HOSPITAL CARE FOLLOWING A COMPLICATED VAGINAL DELIVERY OR MORE THAN 96 HOURS OF INPATIENT HOSPITAL CARE FOLLOWING A COMPLICATED CESAREAN SECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, in addition to the requirements of Article 48A, § 490FF(e)(2) of the Code as enacted by this Act, an insurer, nonprofit health service plan, or health maintenance organization subject to the requirements of Article 48A, § 490FF(e)(2) shall send to insureds or enrollees the notice required under Article 48A, § 490FF(e)(1) of the Code, as enacted by this Act by January 1, 1997.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That all health insurance or other health benefit plans subject to the provisions of this Act shall make the benefits under this Act available on and after its effective date, notwithstanding any policy or benefit statement to the contrary.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October July 1, 1996.

Approved May 14, 1996.