

“BOARD” MEANS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE POOL ESTABLISHED UNDER § 15-1216 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

REVISOR’S NOTE: This subsection formerly was Art. 48A, § 698(c).

The only changes are in style.

Defined term: “Pool” § 15-1201

(C) CARRIER.

“CARRIER” MEANS A PERSON THAT:

(1) OFFERS HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN THE STATE COVERING ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES OF SMALL EMPLOYERS; AND

(2) IS:

(I) AN AUTHORIZED INSURER THAT PROVIDES HEALTH INSURANCE IN THE STATE;

(II) A NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN THAT IS LICENSED TO OPERATE IN THE STATE;

(III) A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION THAT IS LICENSED TO OPERATE IN THE STATE; OR

(IV) ANY OTHER PERSON OR ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS SUBJECT TO STATE INSURANCE REGULATION.

REVISOR’S NOTE: This subsection is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 48A, § 698(d).

In item (1) of this subsection, the reference to offering health benefit plans “in the State” is added to clarify that the defined term “carrier” only applies to persons who offer health benefit plans in the State.

In item (2)(i) of this subsection, the defined term “authorized insurer” is substituted for the former reference to an “insurer that holds a certificate of authority in the State” for brevity and consistency with the terminology used throughout this article.

Defined terms: “Authorized insurer” § 1-101

“Eligible employee” § 15-1201

“Health benefit plan” § 15-1201

“Health insurance” § 1-101

“Insurance” § 1-101

“Person” § 1-101

“Small employer” § 15-1201

(D) COMMISSION.