(2) THE COMMISSIONER MAY ISSUE AN ORDER UNDER §§ 4-113, 4-114, 27-501, AND 27-505 OF THIS ARTICLE IF THE COMMISSIONER FINDS A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 48A, § 223.1.

Defined terms: "Annuity contract" § 1-101

"Commissioner" § 1-101

"Health insurance" § 1-101

"Insurer" § 1-101

"Life insurance" § 1-101

"Policy" § 1-101

27-910. DISCRIMINATION BY HEALTH NETWORK.

(A) DEFINITIONS.

- (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
- (2) "ENROLLEE" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL OR MEMBER OF AN ASSOCIATION OR OTHER PRIVATE GROUP ARRANGEMENT ENTITLED TO HEALTH CARE SERVICES FROM A HEALTH NETWORK.
- (3) "HEALTH CARE SERVICE" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 19-701 OF THE HEALTH GENERAL ARTICLE.
 - (4) "HEALTH NETWORK" MEANS AN ENTITY THAT:
- (I) HOLDS A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY UNDER THIS ARTICLE OR TITLE 19, SUBTITLE 7 OF THE HEALTH GENERAL ARTICLE; AND
- (II) IS ORGANIZED TO PROVIDE HEALTH CARE SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS OR AN ENROLLED POPULATION IN A REGIONAL OR SERVICE AREA.
 - (B) PROHIBITED.

A HEALTH NETWORK MAY NOT DENY HEALTH CARE SERVICES TO AN ENROLLEE ON THE BASIS OF GENDER, RACE, AGE, RELIGION, NATIONAL ORIGIN, OR A PROTECTED CATEGORY UNDER THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly was Art. 48A, § 230B.

The only changes are in style.

Defined term: "Certificate of authority" § 1-101

GENERAL REVISOR'S NOTE TO ARTICLE:

The Insurance Article was enacted over a three-year period. The effective date for the entire Insurance Article is October 1, 1997.

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