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- [(14)](15) A professional counselor;
- [(15)](16) A psychologist;
- [(16)](17) A social worker; and
- [(17)](18) A speech-language pathologist.
- (b) Except for a minor patient, unless a patient is notified, a health care provider may not destroy a medical record or laboratory or X-ray report about a patient for 5 years after the record or report is made.
- (c) In the case of a minor patient, a medical record or laboratory or X-ray report about a minor patient may not be destroyed until the patient attains the age of majority plus 3 years or for 5 years after the record or report is made, whichever is later, unless:
 - (1) The parent or guardian of the minor patient is notified; or
- (2) If the medical care documented in the record was provided under § 20-102(c) or § 20-103(c) of the Health General Article, the minor patient is notified.
 - (d) The notice under subsections (b) and (c) of this section shall:
 - (1) Be made by first-class mail to the last known address of the patient;
- (2) Include the date on which the record of the patient shall be destroyed; and
- (3) Include a statement that the record or synopsis of the record, if wanted, must be retrieved at a designated location within 30 days of the proposed date of destruction.
- (e) After the death of a health care provider who was a sole practitioner, the administrator of the estate, or a designee shall:
- (1) Forward the notice required in this section before the destruction or transfer of medical records; or
- (2) Publish a notice in a daily newspaper that is circulated locally for 2 consecutive weeks:
- (i) Stating the date that the medical records will be destroyed or transferred; and
- (ii) Designating a location, date, and time where the medical records may be retrieved, if wanted.

Article - Health Occupations

1A-204.

- (a) A majority of the full authorized membership of the Board is a quorum.
- (b) The Board shall meet at least once every 3 months, at the times and places that it determines.