

(E) "CARRIER" MEANS A PERSON THAT IS:

(1) AN INSURER THAT HOLDS A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY IN THE STATE AND PROVIDES HEALTH INSURANCE IN THE STATE;

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

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

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

(F) "CHURCH PLAN" MEANS A PLAN AS DEFINED UNDER SECTION 3(33) OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974.

(G) (1) "CREDITABLE COVERAGE" MEANS COVERAGE OF AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER:

(I) AN EMPLOYER SPONSORED PLAN;

(II) A HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN;

(III) PART A OR PART B OF TITLE XVIII OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT;

(IV) TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT, OTHER THAN COVERAGE CONSISTING SOLELY OF BENEFITS UNDER SECTION 1928 OF THAT ACT;

(V) CHAPTER 55 OF TITLE 10 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE;

(VI) A MEDICAL CARE PROGRAM OF THE INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE OR OF A TRIBAL ORGANIZATION;

(VII) A STATE HEALTH BENEFITS RISK POOL;

(VIII) A HEALTH PLAN OFFERED UNDER THE FEDERAL EMPLOYEES HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM (FEHBP), TITLE 5, CHAPTER 89 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE;

(IX) A PUBLIC HEALTH PLAN AS DEFINED BY FEDERAL REGULATIONS AUTHORIZED BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT, SECTION 2701(C)(1)(I), AS AMENDED BY P.L. 104-191; OR

(X) A HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN UNDER SECTION 5(E) OF THE PEACE CORPS ACT, 22 U.S.C. 2504(E).

(2) A PERIOD OF CREDITABLE COVERAGE SHALL NOT BE COUNTED, WITH RESPECT TO ENROLLMENT OF AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER A HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN OR AN EMPLOYER SPONSORED PLAN, IF, AFTER SUCH PERIOD AND BEFORE THE ENROLLMENT DATE, THERE WAS A 63-DAY PERIOD DURING ALL OF WHICH THE INDIVIDUAL WAS NOT COVERED UNDER ANY CREDITABLE COVERAGE.