1997 LAWS OF MARYLAND

- (e) (1) This title does not prohibit a dentist, physician, or podiatrist from administering a prescription drug; <u>OR DEVICE</u>, OR DIAGNOSTIC in the course of treating a patient.
- (2) For the purposes of paragraph (1) of this subsection, "administering" means the direct introduction of a single dosage of a drug, <u>OR</u> DEVICE, OR DIAGNOSTIC at a given time, whether by injection or other means, and whether in liquid, tablet, capsule, or other form.
- (f) (1) This title does not prohibit a dentist, physician, or podiatrist from personally dispensing a starter dosage of a prescription drug, <u>OR</u> DEVICE, OR DIAGNOSTIC to a patient of the dentist, physician, or podiatrist, provided that:
- (i) The starter dosage complies with the labeling requirements of [§ 12-509] § 12-505 of this title;
 - (ii) No charge is made for the starter dosage; and
- (iii) The dentist, physician, or podiatrist enters an appropriate record on the patient's chart.
- (2) For the purposes of paragraph (1) of this subsection, "starter dosage" means an amount of drug; OR DEVICE, OR-DIAGNOSTIC sufficient to begin therapy:
 - (i) Of short duration of 72 hours or less; or
- (ii) Prior to obtaining a larger quantity of the drug; <u>OR</u> DEVICE, OR DIAGNOSTIC to complete the therapy.
- (g) This title does not prohibit a dentist, physician, or podiatrist from dispensing a prescription drug, <u>OR</u> DEVICE, OR DIAGNOSTIC in the course of treating a patient:
- (1) At a medical facility or clinic that specializes in the treatment of medical cases reimbursable through workers' compensation insurance;
 - (2) At a medical facility or clinic that is operated on a nonprofit basis;
- (3) At a health center that operates on a campus of an institution of higher education; or
- (4) At a public health facility, a medical facility under contract with a State or local health department, or a facility funded with public funds.
 - (h) This title does not limit the right of a general merchant to sell:
 - (1) Any nonprescription drug, <u>OR</u> [medicine, or] device, OR DIAGNOSTIC;
 - (2) Any commonly used household or domestic remedy; or
- (3) Any farm remedy or ingredient for a spraying solution, in bulk or otherwise.