

(5) THE DEPARTMENT OF AGING; AND

~~(5)~~ (6) THE HEALTH EDUCATION AND ADVOCACY UNIT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.

(B) (1) THE ADMINISTRATION, IN COOPERATION WITH THE ENTITIES LISTED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION AND ANY OTHER PERSON IT DEEMS APPROPRIATE, SHALL PROMOTE THE AVAILABILITY OF THE INFORMATION.

(2) THE HEALTH CARE ACCESS AND COST COMMISSION SHALL ASSIST THE ADMINISTRATION IN PRESENTING THE INFORMATION IN A FORMAT THAT IS EASILY UNDERSTANDABLE FOR CONSUMERS.

(C) IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS SECTION BY THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL BE FUNDED THROUGH THE HEALTH CARE REGULATORY FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER § 2-112.3 OF THIS TITLE.

2-304.

(a) To carry out the Program, the Commissioner may employ a staff in accordance with the State budget.

(b) The Commissioner may designate a member of the staff of the Program to represent the interests of consumers in any Administration proceeding that is open to the public, including:

- (1) an informational hearing; and
- (2) a hearing or review of insurance rates or forms.

2-305.

(a) The Commissioner may adopt regulations to carry out the Program.

(b) Each year, the Commissioner shall evaluate the Program.

15-829.

(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) "CARRIER" MEANS:

(I) AN INSURER THAT OFFERS HEALTH INSURANCE OTHER THAN LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE OR DISABILITY INSURANCE;

(II) A NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN;

(III) A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION; OR

(IV) A DENTAL PLAN ORGANIZATION; OR

~~(IV)~~ (V) EXCEPT FOR A MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATION AS DEFINED IN TITLE 15, SUBTITLE 1 OF THE HEALTH - GENERAL ARTICLE, ANY OTHER PERSON THAT PROVIDES HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS SUBJECT TO STATE REGULATION.