- (b) "Commission" means the Maryland Health Care Access and Cost Commission.
- (c) "Comprehensive standard health benefit plan" means the comprehensive standard health benefit plan adopted in accordance with § 15–1207 of the Insurance Article.
  - (d) (1) "Health care provider" means:
- (i) A person who is licensed, certified, or otherwise authorized under the Health Occupations Article to provide health care in the ordinary course of business or practice of a profession or in an approved education or training program; or
- (ii) A facility where health care is provided to patients or recipients, including a facility as defined in  $\S 10-101(e)$  of this article, a hospital as defined in  $\S 19-301(f)$  of this article, a related institution as defined in  $\S 19-301(e)$  of this article, a health maintenance organization as defined in  $\S 19-701(e)$  of this article, an outpatient clinic, and a medical laboratory.
- (2) "Health care provider" includes the agents and employees of a facility who are licensed or otherwise authorized to provide health care, the officers and directors of a facility, and the agents and employees of a health care provider who are licensed or otherwise authorized to provide health care.
- (e) "Health care practitioner" means any person that provides health care services and is licensed under the Health Occupations Article.
- (f) "Health care service" means any health or medical care procedure or service rendered by a health care practitioner that:
- (1) Provides testing, diagnosis, or treatment of human disease or dysfunction; or
- (2) Dispenses drugs, medical devices, medical appliances, or medical goods for the treatment of human disease or dysfunction.
- (G) (1) "MANDATED HEALTH INSURANCE SERVICE" MEANS A LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL OR STATUTE THAT WOULD REQUIRE A PARTICULAR HEALTH CARE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED OR OFFERED IN A HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN, BY A CARRIER OR OTHER ORGANIZATION AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN THE STATE.
- (2) "MANDATED HEALTH INSURANCE SERVICE", AS APPLICABLE TO ALL CARRIERS, DOES NOT INCLUDE SERVICES ENUMERATED TO DESCRIBE A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION UNDER § 19 702(F)(2) § 19 701(F)(2) OF THIS TITLE.
- [(g)](H) (1) "Office facility" means the office of one or more health care practitioners in which health care services are provided to individuals.
  - (2) "Office facility" includes a facility that provides:
    - (i) Ambulatory surgery;