

Article - Health - General

15-301.

(a) ~~In this section, "carrier" means:~~

- ~~(1) An insurer;~~
- ~~(2) A nonprofit service plan;~~
- ~~(3) A health maintenance organization; or~~
- ~~(4) Any other person that provides health benefit plans subject to regulation by the State.~~

~~(b) There is a Children and Families Health Care Program.~~

~~(c) The Children and Families Health Care Program shall provide, subject to the limitations of the State budget and any other requirements imposed by the State and as permitted by federal law or waiver, comprehensive medical care and other health care services to an individual who has a family income at or below [200] 300 250 percent of the federal poverty level and who is under the age of 19 years.~~

~~(d) The Children and Families Health Care Program shall be administered through the program under Subtitle 1 of this title requiring individuals to enroll in managed care organizations.~~

~~[(e) (1) In this subsection, "family contribution" means the portion of the premium cost paid by an eligible individual to enroll and participate in the Children and Families Health Care Program.~~

~~(2) On or before July 1, 2000 and in addition to any other requirements of this subtitle, as a requirement to enroll and maintain participation in the Children and Families Health Care Program, an individual's parent or guardian shall agree to pay an annual family contribution amount determined by the Department in accordance with paragraph (3) of this subsection.~~

~~(3) (i) For eligible individuals whose family income is at or above 185 percent of the federal poverty level, the Department shall develop an annual family contribution amount payment system such that the cost of the family contribution is at least 1 percent of the annual family income but does not exceed 2 percent of the annual family income.~~

~~(ii) The Department shall determine by regulation the schedules and the method of collection for the family contribution amount under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph.~~

~~(iii) Before collecting a family contribution from any individual, the Department shall provide the individual with notice of the requirements of the family contribution amount and the options available to the individual to make premium payments.]~~