

(2) Involve the private health insurance market in the delivery of health insurance coverage to low-income, uninsured children in the State and their families;

(3) Identify and aggressively pursue a mix of State, federal, and private funds, including grants, to enable the Foundation to provide and fund health care insurance coverage;

(4) Develop methods to minimize the effect of employers or employees terminating employer sponsored health insurance or privately purchased health care insurance; and

(5) Coordinate its activities with the other necessary entities in order to address the health care needs of the low-income, uninsured children of the State and their families.

### Article - Insurance

#### 15-1208.

(a) (1) A carrier may not limit coverage under a health benefit plan for a preexisting condition.

(2) An exclusion of coverage for preexisting conditions may not be applied to health care services furnished for pregnancy or newborns.

(b) (1) This subsection does not apply to a late enrollee if:

(i) the individual requests enrollment within 30 days after becoming an eligible employee;

(ii) a court has ordered coverage to be provided for a spouse or minor child under a covered employee's health benefit plan; [or]

(iii) a request for enrollment is made within 30 days after the eligible employee's marriage or the birth or adoption of a child; OR

(IV) THE INDIVIDUAL OR A FAMILY MEMBER OF THE INDIVIDUAL WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR ENROLLMENT UNDER § 15-301.1 OF THE HEALTH - GENERAL ARTICLE REQUESTS ENROLLMENT WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER BECOMING ELIGIBLE.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, a late enrollee may be subject to a 12-month preexisting condition provision or a waiting period until the next open enrollment period not to exceed a 12-month period.

(c) [A] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION, A health benefit plan that does not use a preexisting condition provision may impose on enrollees:

(1) a waiting period not to exceed 90 days; or

(2) for 1 year, a surcharge not to exceed 1.5 times the community rate established in accordance with § 15-1205 of this subtitle.