

Health Care Program] MARYLAND CHILDREN'S HEALTH PROGRAM established under [§ 15-301] §§ 15-301 AND 15-301.1 of this subtitle.

(b) (1) For purposes of this subsection, "community-based organization" includes day care centers, schools, and school-based health clinics.

(2) In addition to the school-based outreach program established under subsection (a) of this section, the Department, in consultation with the Maryland Medicaid Advisory Committee established under § 15-103(b) of this title, shall develop mechanisms for outreach for the program with a special emphasis on identifying children who may be eligible for program benefits under the [Children and Families Health Care Program] MARYLAND CHILDREN'S HEALTH PROGRAM established under [§ 15-301] §§ 15-301 AND 15-301.1 of this subtitle.

(3) From the mechanisms to be developed for outreach under paragraph (2) of this subsection, one mechanism shall include the development and dissemination of mail-in applications and appropriate outreach materials through community-based organizations, community-based providers, the Office of the State Comptroller, the Departments of Human Resources and Health and Mental Hygiene, county boards of education, and any other appropriate State agency or unit the Department considers appropriate.

15-305.

The purpose of the Health Care Foundation under this section is to:

(1) Develop programs to expand the availability of health insurance coverage to low-income, uninsured children;

(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.