

plan; prohibiting a person from knowingly and willfully obtaining or attempting to obtain by means of a false representation money, property, or any thing of value under certain circumstances; prohibiting a person from knowingly and willfully defrauding or attempting to defraud a State health plan of the right to honest services; prohibiting a person with the intent to defraud from making a false representation relating to health care services or a State health plan; prohibiting a certain person from knowingly and willfully converting all or any part of a State health plan benefit or payment to a use that is not for the authorized beneficiary; prohibiting a person from providing to another individual items or services for which certain payment is or may be made from certain funds and solicit, offer, make, or receive a kickback or bribe in connection with providing certain items or services or making or receiving a benefit or payment under the State health plan; prohibiting a person from soliciting, offering, making, or receiving a rebate of a fee or charge for referring another individual to a third person to provide items or services for which certain payment is made; prohibiting a person from knowingly and willfully making a false representation with respect to conditions or operations of a facility, institution, or State health plan in order to help the facility, institution, or State health plan qualify to receive certain reimbursement; prohibiting a person from knowingly and willfully obtaining or aiding another individual in obtaining by certain acts a drug product or medical care the payment for all or part of which is made from certain funds; prohibiting an unauthorized person from knowingly and willfully possessing certain medical or pharmacy assistance cards; altering the application of certain welfare fraud provisions; providing for a certain statute of limitations for certain misdemeanor offenses; limiting a certain prohibition on further payments under a certain medical program to apply only to health care providers; transferring certain welfare application perjury provisions; establishing certain criminal and civil penalties; defining certain terms; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to State health plan fraud.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments

Section 230A

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments

Section 230B through 230D

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments

Section 230B through 230H, inclusive, to be under the amended subheading
“Fraud – State Health Plans”