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(a) The Foundation shall:

(1) Solicit and accept any gift, grant, legacy, or endowment of money, including in-kind services, from the federal government, State government, local government, or any private source in furtherance of the Foundation;

(2) Provide grants to programs that:

(i) Promote public awareness of the need to provide more timely and cost-effective care for uninsured Marylanders and reduce health care disparities associated with poverty, gender, and race;

(ii) Expand access to health care services for uninsured individuals;

or

(iii) Provide or subsidize health insurance coverage for uninsured individuals;

(3) Study the feasibility and cost-effectiveness of providing health insurance coverage through the private market to uninsured children and their families as part of the program established under § 15-301 of this article;

(4) Develop programs for sponsorship by corporate and business organizations or private individuals;

(5) Develop criteria for awarding grants to health care delivery programs that may include programs addressing health care disparities in insurance coverage programs or corporate sponsorship programs;

(6) Develop criteria for prioritizing programs to be supported;

(7) Develop criteria for evaluating the effectiveness of programs receiving grants;

(8) Make, execute, and enter into any contract or other legal instrument;

(9) Receive appropriations as provided in the State budget;

(10) Lease and maintain an office at a place within the State that the Foundation designates;

(11) Adopt bylaws for the regulation of its affairs and the conduct of its business;

(12) Administer the Maryland Medbank Program in accordance with § 15-124.2 of this article;

(13) Take any other action necessary to carry out the purposes of the Foundation; and

(14) Report annually to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly, on its activities during the preceding