

(c) The purpose of the Plan is to decrease uncompensated care costs by providing access to affordable, comprehensive health benefits for medically uninsurable residents of the State by July 1, 2003.

(d) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Plan operate as a nonprofit entity and that Fund revenue, to the extent consistent with good business practices, be used to subsidize health insurance coverage for medically uninsurable individuals.

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(a) There is a Board for the Plan.

(b) The Plan shall operate subject to the supervision and control of the Board.

(c) The Board consists of **[five]** SEVEN members, of whom:

(1) one shall be the Commissioner;

(2) one shall be the Executive Director of the Maryland Health Care Commission;

(3) one shall be the Executive Director of the Health Services Cost Review Commission;

(4) one shall be the Secretary of the Department of Budget and Management; **[and]**

(5) one shall be appointed by the Director of the Health, Education, and Advocacy Unit in the Office of the Attorney General in accordance with subsection (d) of this section;

(6) ONE SHALL BE A ~~REPRESENTATIVE OF~~ APPOINTED BY THE COMMISSIONER TO REPRESENT CARRIERS OPERATING IN THE STATE; AND

(7) ONE SHALL BE AN ~~INSURANCE PRODUCER~~ APPOINTED BY THE COMMISSIONER TO REPRESENT INSURANCE PRODUCERS SELLING INSURANCE IN THE STATE.

(d) (1) The Board member appointed under subsection (c)(5) of this section shall be a consumer who does not have a substantial financial interest in a person regulated under this article or under Title 19, Subtitle 7 of the Health - General Article.

(2) The term of **[the]** A consumer member AND A MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE COMMISSIONER is 4 years.

(3) At the end of a term, **[the]** A consumer member AND A MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE COMMISSIONER **[continues]** CONTINUE to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(4) **[The]** A consumer member AND A MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE COMMISSIONER who **[is]** ARE appointed after a term has begun **[serves]** SERVE only for the rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.