

CHAPTER 84

(House Bill 752)

AN ACT concerning

Health - Nursing Facilities - Information About Home-Based and Community-Based Services

FOR the purpose of requiring a ~~certain coordinator~~ social worker at a nursing facility to provide certain information to residents about home- or community-based waiver programs at ~~the time a certain assessment is performed~~ certain times; requiring the information to contain certain information or referrals; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to prepare certain information; requiring the ~~coordinator~~ social worker to ask the resident to sign a certain acknowledgment to be kept in the resident's medical record; ~~requiring the coordinator to provide a certain referral to certain assistance~~; requiring a certain case manager at a local department of social services to provide certain assistance and information to residents; requiring the case manager to make a certain referral within a certain time period under certain circumstances; providing that employees or representatives of certain agencies and centers shall be given access into certain facilities to provide certain information to residents under certain circumstances; prohibiting employees or representatives of certain agencies and centers from disclosing certain information provided to residents; defining certain terms; and generally relating to information about community services for residents of nursing facilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 15-101(a) and (i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Health - General

Section 15-134

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Health - General

15-101.

- (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (i) "Program" means the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.