2002 LAWS OF MARYLAND

SUBTITLE 6A. THERAPY MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS.

12-6A-01.

- (A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
- (B) (1) "INSTITUTIONAL FACILITY" MEANS A FACILITY OTHER THAN A NURSING HOME WHOSE PRIMARY PURPOSE IS TO PROVIDE A PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT FOR PATIENTS TO OBTAIN INPATIENT OR EMERGENCY CARE.
- (2) "INSTITUTIONAL FACILITY" DOES NOT INCLUDE AN URGENT CARE FACILITY THAT IS NOT PART OF A FACILITY.
- (C) "LICENSED PHYSICIAN" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS LICENSED TO PRACTICE MEDICINE UNDER TITLE 14 OF THIS ARTICLE.
- (D) "PHYSICIAN-PHARMACIST AGREEMENT" MEANS AN APPROVED AGREEMENT BETWEEN A LICENSED PHYSICIAN AND A LICENSED PHARMACIST THAT IS DISEASE-STATE SPECIFIC AND SPECIFIES THE PROTOCOLS THAT MAY BE USED.
- (E) "PROTOCOL" MEANS A COURSE OF TREATMENT PREDETERMINED BY THE LICENSED PHYSICIAN AND LICENSED PHARMACIST ACCORDING TO GENERALLY ACCEPTED MEDICAL PRACTICE FOR THE PROPER COMPLETION OF A PARTICULAR THERAPEUTIC OR DIAGNOSTIC INTERVENTION.
- (F) (1) "THERAPY MANAGEMENT CONTRACT" MEANS A VOLUNTARY, WRITTEN ARRANGEMENT THAT IS DISEASE-STATE SPECIFIC SIGNED BY EACH PARTY TO THE ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN:
- (I) ONE LICENSED PHARMACIST AND THE LICENSED PHARMACIST'S DESIGNATED ALTERNATE LICENSED PHARMACISTS:
- (II) ONE LICENSED PHYSICIAN AND ALTERNATE DESIGNATED LICENSED PHYSICIANS INVOLVED DIRECTLY IN PATIENT CARE: AND
- (III) ONE PATIENT RECEIVING CARE FROM A LICENSED PHYSICIAN AND A LICENSED PHARMACIST PURSUANT TO A PHYSICIAN-PHARMACIST AGREEMENT AND PROTOCOL UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.
- (2) A THERAPY MANAGEMENT CONTRACT SHALL BE RELATED TO TREATMENT USING DRUG THERAPY, LABORATORY TESTS, OR MEDICAL DEVICES, UNDER DEFINED CONDITIONS OR LIMITATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPROVING PATIENT OUTCOMES.

12-6A-02.

A THERAPY MANAGEMENT CONTRACT IS NOT REQUIRED FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF PATIENTS IN AN INSTITUTIONAL FACILITY.

12-6A-03.

(A) A LICENSED PHYSICIAN AND A LICENSED PHARMACIST WHO WISH TO ENTER INTO THERAPY MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS SHALL HAVE A