

12-6A-08.

(A) THE PHYSICIAN SHALL MAINTAIN COMPLETE PATIENT RECORDS WITH RESPECT TO THE THERAPY MANAGEMENT CONTRACT.

(B) THE LICENSED PHYSICIAN'S PATIENT RECORD SHALL BE FULLY UPDATED IN WRITING BY THE LICENSED PHARMACIST IN A TIMELY MANNER, AS PROVIDED IN THE PHYSICIAN-PHARMACIST AGREEMENT.

12-6A-09.

NOTHING IN THIS SUBTITLE SUPERSEDES THE PROVISIONS OF § 5-902 OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE.

12-6A-10.

(A) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE BOARD OF PHARMACY, TOGETHER WITH THE BOARD OF PHYSICIAN QUALITY ASSURANCE, SHALL JOINTLY DEVELOP AND ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(B) THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION SHALL INCLUDE PROVISIONS THAT:

- (1) DEFINE THE CRITERIA FOR PHYSICIAN-PHARMACIST AGREEMENTS;
- (2) ESTABLISH GUIDELINES CONCERNING THE USE OF PROTOCOLS, INCLUDING COMMUNICATION, DOCUMENTATION, AND OTHER RELEVANT FACTORS; AND
- (3) ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE TO ALLOW FOR THE APPROVAL, MODIFICATION, CONTINUATION, OR DISAPPROVAL OF SPECIFIC PROTOCOLS BY THE BOARD OF PHYSICIAN QUALITY ASSURANCE AND THE BOARD OF PHARMACY.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the regulations required by this Act shall be adopted within 6 months of the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Board of Pharmacy and the Board of Physician Quality Assurance shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on or before October 1, 2006 on the effect of this Act and any recommendations for legislative or regulatory action.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall conduct a study to assess the outcomes achieved by drug therapy management agreements as provided for under this Act.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2002. It shall remain effective for a period of 5 years ~~from the effective date of regulations adopted under this Act, and at the end of 5 years~~ and 8 months and, at the end of May 31, 2008 with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved April 25, 2002.