

Article - Insurance15-405.(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.(2) "CARRIER" MEANS:(I) AN INSURER THAT HOLDS A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY IN THE STATE AND PROVIDES HEALTH INSURANCE IN THE STATE;(II) A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION THAT IS LICENSED TO OPERATE IN THE STATE; OR(III) A NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN THAT IS LICENSED TO OPERATE IN THE STATE.[(2)] (3) "Health insurance coverage" means health care coverage under which medical care services can be provided to a child.[(3)] (4) "Insuring parent" means a parent who:(i) is required under a court or administrative order to provide health insurance coverage for a child; or(ii) otherwise provides health insurance coverage for a child.(5) "MEDICAL SUPPORT NOTICE" MEANS A NOTICE THAT IS:(I) IN A FORMAT PRESCRIBED BY FEDERAL LAW; AND(II) ISSUED BY A CHILD SUPPORT AGENCY TO ENFORCE THE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE PROVISIONS OF A CHILD SUPPORT ORDER.[(4)] (6) "Order" means a ruling that:(i) is issued by a court of this State or another state or an administrative agency of another state; and(ii) 1. creates or recognizes the right of a child to receive benefits under a parent's health insurance coverage; OR2. ESTABLISHES A PARENT'S OBLIGATION TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT AND PROVIDE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR A CHILD.(7) "QUALIFIED MEDICAL SUPPORT ORDER" MEANS A MEDICAL CHILD SUPPORT ORDER ISSUED UNDER STATE LAW THAT COMPLIES WITH § 609(A) OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974 (ERISA).(b) This section applies to:(1) [commercial] insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations that operate in the State under a certificate of authority;(2) group health plans, as defined in § 607(1) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA); and