

CHAPTER 310

(House Bill 1190)

AN ACT concerning

Assisted Living Programs - Assisted Living Managers - Training Requirements

FOR the purpose of requiring certain individuals employed by certain assisted living programs, by a certain date, to complete a manager training course and certain continuing education that meets certain requirements; subjecting an assisted living program to a certain civil money penalty under certain circumstances; exempting certain individuals from certain training requirements; authorizing the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to require certain individuals to take a certain training course under certain circumstances; authorizing an assisted living program to request an extension of a certain time period for complying with certain requirements; requiring the Department to ensure that certain programs are affordable and accessible; requiring the Department, in consultation with certain organizations, to develop certain guidelines; requiring the Department, in consultation with certain consumers and providers, to conduct a certain evaluation; requiring the Department to submit a certain report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; and generally relating to training requirements for assisted living managers.

BY adding to

Article - Health - General

Section 19-1807

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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

Article - Health - General

19-1807.

(A) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION, BY JANUARY 1, 2006, AN ASSISTED LIVING MANAGER WHO IS EMPLOYED BY AN ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAM THAT IS LICENSED FOR 17 OR MORE BEDS SHALL HAVE COMPLETED A MANAGER TRAINING COURSE THAT IS APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT AND INCLUDES AN EXAMINATION.

(2) THE MANAGER TRAINING COURSE SHALL:

(I) ~~SHALL~~ CONSIST OF AT LEAST 80 HOURS;

(II) ~~MAY~~ REQUIRE ATTENDANCE OR PARTICIPATION AT TRAINING PROGRAMS THAT PROVIDE FOR DIRECT INTERACTION BETWEEN FACULTY AND PARTICIPANTS; AND