

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2000 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 70B - Department of Aging

Section 5(c) and (d)(1)

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Section 5(d)(2)

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section(s) 19-1415 of Article - Health - General of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 19-1416.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Health - General

19-1415.

(A) IN THIS SECTION, "FAMILY COUNCIL" MEANS A GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS WHO WORK TOGETHER TO PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF AND IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF RESIDENTS OF A NURSING HOME.

(B) (1) A FAMILY COUNCIL FOR A NURSING HOME MAY CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

~~(I) RESIDENTS OF A NURSING HOME;~~

~~(II) (I) MEMBERS OF A RESIDENT'S FAMILY; OR~~

(II) AN INDIVIDUAL APPOINTED BY THE RESIDENT, OR IF THE RESIDENT IS INCAPABLE OF APPOINTING AN INDIVIDUAL, AN INDIVIDUAL APPOINTED BY THE RESIDENT'S FAMILY.

~~(III) FRIENDS OF A RESIDENT; OR~~

~~(IV) REPRESENTATIVES OF TWO OR MORE RESIDENTS.~~

(2) (I) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, A FAMILY COUNCIL MAY NOT BE CREATED OR LED BY THE OWNER, OPERATOR, OR STAFF OF A NURSING HOME.

(II) IN ORDER TO FACILITATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A FAMILY COUNCIL, THE OWNER, OPERATOR, OR STAFF OF A NURSING HOME MAY LEAD THE