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~~(A) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS THAT SET STANDARDS FOR THE CARE, TREATMENT, HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE, AND COMFORT OF INDIVIDUALS WHO RECEIVE SERVICES THROUGH A NURSING REFERRAL SERVICE AGENCY.~~

~~(B) THE REGULATIONS SHALL PROVIDE FOR:~~

~~(1) THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NURSING REFERRAL SERVICE AGENCIES;~~

~~(2) THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR LICENSURE AS A NURSING REFERRAL SERVICE AGENCY;~~

~~(3) THE ISSUANCE OF LICENSES TO NURSING REFERRAL SERVICE AGENCIES;~~

~~(4) IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, THE RENEWAL OF LICENSES FOR NURSING REFERRAL SERVICE AGENCIES; AND~~

~~(5) A PROCEDURE FOR THE INVESTIGATION OF COMPLAINTS REGARDING NURSING REFERRAL SERVICE AGENCIES OR THE LICENSED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS SCREENED AND REFERRED BY NURSING REFERRAL SERVICE AGENCIES.~~

~~(C) (1) A LICENSE EXPIRES ON THE THIRD ANNIVERSARY OF ITS EFFECTIVE DATE UNLESS:~~

~~(I) THE DEPARTMENT SUSPENDS OR REVOKES THE LICENSE; OR~~

~~(II) THE LICENSE IS RENEWED FOR A 3 YEAR TERM AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION.~~

~~(2) BEFORE A LICENSE EXPIRES, A LICENSE MAY BE RENEWED FOR AN ADDITIONAL 3 YEAR TERM IF THE APPLICANT:~~

~~(I) OTHERWISE IS ENTITLED TO A LICENSE;~~

~~(II) PAYS TO THE SECRETARY THE RENEWAL FEE SET BY REGULATION; AND~~

~~(III) SUBMITS TO THE SECRETARY A RENEWAL APPLICATION ON THE FORM THAT THE SECRETARY REQUIRES.~~

~~(D) THE DEPARTMENT MAY ISSUE, DENY, SUSPEND, OR REVOKE A NURSING REFERRAL SERVICE AGENCY LICENSE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.~~

~~(E) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SET REASONABLE FEES FOR THE ISSUANCE AND RENEWAL OF LICENSES OR OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT NOT TO EXCEED THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF THE LICENSURE OF NURSING REFERRAL SERVICE AGENCIES UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.~~