

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

5-106.

(a) Except as provided by this section, a prosecution for a misdemeanor shall be instituted within 1 year after the offense was committed.

(Z) A PROSECUTION FOR A MISDEMEANOR OFFENSE UNDER TITLE 14 OF THE INSURANCE ARTICLE SHALL BE INSTITUTED WITHIN 3 YEARS AFTER THE OFFENSE WAS COMMITTED.

Article - Insurance14-102.

(a) The purpose of this subtitle is:

(1) to regulate the formation and operation of nonprofit health service plans in the State; and

(2) to promote the formation and existence of nonprofit health service plans in the State that:

(i) are committed to a nonprofit corporate structure;

(ii) seek to provide individuals, businesses, and other groups with affordable and accessible health insurance; and

(iii) recognize a responsibility to contribute to the improvement of the overall health status of [Maryland residents] THE RESIDENTS OF THE JURISDICTIONS IN WHICH THE NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLANS OPERATE.

(b) A nonprofit health service plan that complies with the provisions of this subtitle is declared to be a public benefit corporation that is exempt from taxation as provided by law.

(c) The mission of a nonprofit health service plan shall be, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER OF THE NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN, to:

(1) provide affordable and accessible health insurance to the plan's insureds and those persons insured or issued health benefit plans by affiliates or subsidiaries of the plan;

(2) assist and support public and private health care initiatives for individuals without health insurance; and

(3) promote the integration of a [statewide] health care system that meets the health care needs of all [Maryland residents] THE RESIDENTS OF THE JURISDICTIONS IN WHICH THE NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN OPERATES.

(d) A nonprofit health service plan:

(1) shall develop goals, objectives, and strategies for carrying out, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER OF THE NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN, its statutory mission;