- (9) An organization, established by the Maryland Hospital Association, Inc. and the Faculty, that contracts with a hospital, related institution, or alternative delivery system to:
- (i) Assist in performing the functions listed in subsection (e) of this section: or
- (ii) Assist a hospital in meeting the requirements of § 19-319(e) of the Health—General Article:
- (10) A committee appointed by or established in an accredited health occupations school;
- (11) An organization described under § 14-501 of this article that contracts with a hospital, related institution, or health maintenance organization to:
- (i) Assist in performing the functions listed in subsection (e) of this section; or
- (ii) Assist a health maintenance organization in meeting the requirements of Title 19, Subtitle 7 of the Health—General Article, the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA), or any other applicable credentialing law or regulation;
 - (12) An accrediting organization as defined in § 14 501 of this article;
- (13) A Mortality Review Committee established under § 5 801 of the Health General Article: or
- (14) A center designated by the Maryland Health Care Commission as the Maryland Patient Safety Center that performs the functions listed in subsection (e)(1) of this section.
 - (e) For purposes of this section, a medical review committee:
- (1) Evaluates and seeks to improve the quality of health care provided by providers of health care;
- (2) Evaluates the need for and the level of performance of health-care provided by providers of health care;
- (3) Evaluates the qualifications, competence, and performance of providers of health care; or
- (4) Evaluates and acts on matters that relate to the discipline of any provider of health care.
- (d) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the proceedings, records, and files of a medical review committee are not discoverable and are not admissible in evidence in any civil action.
- (2) The proceedings, records, and files of a medical review committee are confidential and are not discoverable and are not admissible in evidence in any civil