

BY adding to

Article - Insurance

Section ~~14-205.1, and 15-1701 through 15-1703 to be under the new subtitle~~
~~"Subtitle 17. Health Insurance Coverage for Part Time, Seasonal, and~~
~~Temporary Employees" 14-205.1 and 15-1104~~

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2006 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

~~Article - Health - General~~

~~10-706.~~

~~(JJJ) THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 15, SUBTITLE 17 OF THE INSURANCE ARTICLE SHALL APPLY TO HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS.~~

Article - Insurance

14-201.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) "Insured" means a person covered for benefits under a preferred provider insurance policy offered or administered by an insurer.

(c) "Nonpreferred provider" means a provider that is eligible for payment under a preferred provider insurance policy, but that is not a preferred provider under the applicable provider service contract.

(d) "Preferential basis" means an arrangement under which the insured or subscriber under a preferred provider insurance policy is entitled to receive health care services from preferred providers at no cost, at a reduced fee, or under more favorable terms than if the insured or subscriber received similar services from a nonpreferred provider.

(e) "Preferred provider" means a provider that has entered into a provider service contract.

(f) "Preferred provider insurance policy" means: