

BY adding to

Article - Correctional Services  
Section 9-612  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1999 Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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Article - Health - General  
Section 10-814 ~~and 15-104.1~~  
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(2005 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 - Correctional Services**

**9-612.**

**(A) ~~ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER, THE~~ THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE AN INMATE WHO HAS BEEN SENTENCED TO A TERM OF INCARCERATION IN THE DIVISION OF CORRECTION AND WHO HAS BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH A MENTAL ILLNESS WITH ACCESS TO A 30-DAY SUPPLY OF MEDICATION FOR THE MENTAL ILLNESS ON THE RELEASE OF THE INMATE.**

**(B) ~~SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, PART~~ PART OF THE 30-DAY SUPPLY OF MEDICATION PROVIDED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION MAY BE PROVIDED BY PRESCRIPTION IF THE INMATE IS PROVIDED SUFFICIENT MEDICATION ON RELEASE THAT ENABLES THE INMATE TO REMAIN MEDICATION-COMPLIANT UNTIL ADDITIONAL MEDICATION BECOMES AVAILABLE FROM FILLING THE PRESCRIPTION.**

**(C) ~~THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ENSURE THAT AN INMATE WITH A MENTAL ILLNESS WHO RECEIVES MEDICATION UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION RECEIVES AN ACTUAL SUPPLY OF THE MEDICATION ON RELEASE.~~**

**(C) THIS SECTION SHALL APPLY ONLY IF A TREATING PHYSICIAN DETERMINES THAT:**

**(1) THE RELEASED INMATE'S POSSESSION OF MEDICATION IN THE QUANTITY PRESCRIBED IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE INMATE; AND**