

(1) IS A PARTICIPATING PROVIDER ON THE CARRIER'S PROVIDER PANEL; AND

(2) ACTS AS A CREDENTIALING INTERMEDIARY FOR THAT CARRIER FOR HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS THAT:

(I) PARTICIPATE ON THE CARRIER'S PROVIDER PANEL; AND

(II) HAVE PRIVILEGES AT THE HOSPITAL OR ACADEMIC MEDICAL CENTER.

[(c)] (D) The Commissioner may impose a penalty not to exceed \$500 against any carrier for each violation of this section by the carrier or its credentialing intermediary.

[(d)] (E) (1) The Commissioner ~~shall~~ MAY adopt regulations to implement the provisions of this section.

(2) In adopting the regulations required under paragraph (1) of this subsection, the Commissioner shall consider the use of an electronic format for the uniform credentialing form and the filing of the uniform credentialing form by electronic means.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2007.

Approved by the Governor, May 17, 2007.

CHAPTER 613

(House Bill 572)

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance - ~~Expansion of Coverage~~ Personal Responsibility - Study

~~FOR the purpose of establishing a Health Insurance Premium Subsidy Program in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; establishing the purposes, eligibility requirements, and subsidy qualifications of the Program; specifying the responsibilities of the Department under the Program; establishing a Health Insurance Premium Subsidy Fund; establishing the sources and uses of~~