

THE SECRETARY IS AUTHORIZED TO CONDUCT FEDERAL AND STATE CRIMINAL BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS OF PROVIDERS OF CONGREGATE HOUSING SERVICES PROGRAMS AND THEIR EMPLOYEES.

(F) CONGREGATE HOUSING SERVICES PROGRAM CERTIFICATION.

(1) A CONGREGATE HOUSING SERVICES PROGRAM MUST BE CERTIFIED BY THE SECRETARY.

(2) THE SECRETARY SHALL REVIEW THE COMPLIANCE OF CONGREGATE HOUSING SERVICES PROGRAMS WITH THE REGULATIONS GOVERNING THEIR CERTIFICATION AND OPERATION.

(3) BEFORE THE SECRETARY MAY CERTIFY OR RENEW THE CERTIFICATION OF A PROVIDER OF CONGREGATE HOUSING SERVICES FOR SENIORS WITH ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DISORDERS, THE PROVIDER SHALL HAVE AN IN-SERVICE EDUCATION PROGRAM THAT INCLUDES INSTRUCTION ON DEMENTIA AND THE TECHNIQUES NECESSARY TO MANAGE PATIENTS WITH PHYSICAL, INTELLECTUAL, AND BEHAVIORAL MANIFESTATIONS OF DEMENTIA.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 70B, § 4(b)(1) through (10) and, as it related to the services included in "congregate housing services" and eligibility requirements for services, § 1(c).

As to the substitution of references to "seniors" for the former references to "the elderly", "aged", and "elderly individuals" throughout this section, see General Revisor's Note to title.

In subsection (a)(1)(ii) of this section, the reference to State or federal "units" is substituted for the former reference to a State or federal "agency". See General Revisor's Note to article.

In subsection (c)(2) of this section, the reference to "congregate housing" is substituted for the former reference to "congregate housing services programs" for brevity and clarity.

In subsection (d)(2) of this section, the reference to "subsection (e) of this section" is substituted for the former incorrect reference to "paragraph (6) of this subsection".

Defined terms: "Congregate housing services" § 10-101
"Secretary" § 10-101

10-210. CONGREGATE HOUSING SERVICES — VIOLATIONS; PENALTIES.

(A) IN GENERAL.

THE SECRETARY MAY IMPOSE A CIVIL MONEY PENALTY AGAINST A PROVIDER OF CONGREGATE HOUSING SERVICES FOR A VIOLATION: