

ENROLLMENT IN SERVICES PROVIDED BY OR PAID WHOLLY OR PARTLY BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 70B, §§ 23, 7(ee), and 22A(o) and (p).

In subsection (a)(1) of this section, the reference to "Part II", which includes former Art. 70B, § 9, is substituted for the former reference to "§§ 10, 11, 14, and 15 of this subtitle" for accuracy.

In subsections (a)(2) and (c) of this section, the former definition of the term "written agreement" is revised as substantive scope provisions for clarity.

In subsection (b)(1)(i) of this section, the reference to the "Maryland" Health Maintenance Organization Act is added for accuracy.

Also in subsection (b)(1)(i) of this section, the reference to "Title 19, Subtitle 7" of the Health - General Article is added for clarity.

Defined terms: "Assisted living program" § 10-401

"Continuing care" § 10-401

"Continuing care agreement" § 10-401

"Continuing care at home" § 10-401

"Continuing care in a retirement community" § 10-401

"County" § 1-101

"Provider" § 10-401

"Subscriber" § 10-401

10-403. DUTIES OF DEPARTMENT.

(A) IN GENERAL.

THE DEPARTMENT SHALL:

- (1) ADMINISTER THIS SUBTITLE;
- (2) PREPARE AND FURNISH ALL FORMS NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE;
- (3) ESTABLISH AND COLLECT REASONABLE FILING FEES TO CARRY OUT THIS SUBTITLE;
- (4) ADOPT REGULATIONS NECESSARY TO ENFORCE THIS SUBTITLE; AND
- (5) PREPARE AND DISTRIBUTE RELEVANT PUBLIC INFORMATION AND EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS DESIGNED TO ADVISE INDIVIDUALS, INSTITUTIONS, AND ORGANIZATIONS OF THEIR RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

(B) AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION.

- (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAKE AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED PERSONS ANY