

(III) AN INSURED, SUBSCRIBER, OR MEMBER IS NOT REQUIRED TO ACHIEVE ANY SPECIFIC OUTCOME IN ORDER TO RECEIVE AN INCENTIVE FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE BONA FIDE WELLNESS PROGRAM; AND

(IV) THE CARRIER DOES NOT MARKET THE BONA FIDE WELLNESS PROGRAM IN A MANNER THAT REASONABLY COULD BE CONSTRUED TO HAVE AS ITS PRIMARY PURPOSE THE PROVISION OF AN INCENTIVE OR INDUCEMENT TO PURCHASE COVERAGE FROM THE CARRIER.

(3) ANY INCENTIVE OFFERED FOR PARTICIPATION IN A BONA FIDE WELLNESS PROGRAM:

(I) SHALL BE REASONABLY RELATED TO THE BONA FIDE WELLNESS PROGRAM; AND

(II) MAY NOT HAVE A VALUE THAT EXCEEDS ANY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSIONER.

(4) THE COMMISSIONER SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION.

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

May 17, 2007

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 723 - *Certified Social Workers-Clinical - Practice - Definition*.

This bill expands the scope of practice for an individual licensed as a certified social worker-clinical to include the evaluation, diagnosis, and treatment of mental and emotional conditions and impairments, in addition to psychosocial conditions and mental disorders.