

(D) "ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEE" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 15-1201 OF THIS TITLE.

(E) "HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNT" MEANS A HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNT AS DEFINED IN THE MEDICARE PRESCRIPTION DRUG, IMPROVEMENT AND MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2003, TITLE 12, § 1201(A) AS CODIFIED AT PART VII, SUBCHAPTER B, CHAPTER 1, § 223(D) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.

(F) "PROGRAM" MEANS THE SMALL EMPLOYER HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFIT PLAN PREMIUM SUBSIDY PROGRAM.

(G) "SMALL EMPLOYER" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 15-1201 OF THIS TITLE.

(H) "SMALL EMPLOYER HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN" MEANS A HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN AS DEFINED IN § 15-1201 OF THIS TITLE THAT MAY BE SOLD TO A SMALL EMPLOYER UNDER SUBTITLE 12 OF THIS TITLE.

(I) "WELLNESS BENEFIT" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 15-1201 OF THIS TITLE.

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(A) THERE IS A SMALL EMPLOYER HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFIT PLAN PREMIUM SUBSIDY PROGRAM.

(B) THE PURPOSES OF THE PROGRAM ARE TO:

(1) PROVIDE AN INCENTIVE FOR SMALL EMPLOYERS TO OFFER AND MAINTAIN HEALTH INSURANCE A SMALL EMPLOYER HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN FOR THEIR EMPLOYEES;

(2) HELP LOW AND MODERATE INCOME EMPLOYEES OF SMALL EMPLOYERS AFFORD HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUM CONTRIBUTIONS SMALL EMPLOYER HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN PREMIUMS;

(3) PROMOTE ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE SERVICES, PARTICULARLY PREVENTIVE HEALTH CARE SERVICES THAT MIGHT REDUCE THE NEED FOR EMERGENCY ROOM CARE AND OTHER ACUTE CARE SERVICES; AND

(4) REDUCE UNCOMPENSATED CARE IN HOSPITALS AND OTHER HEALTH CARE SETTINGS.