

- (1) Evaluate annually the kidney disease program under this subtitle; ~~and~~
- (2) Submit an annual report of the evaluation to the Governor; ~~AND~~

~~(3) SUBMIT TO THE GOVERNOR AND, SUBJECT TO § 2-1312 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AN ANNUAL EVALUATION OF THE OPERATIONS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE KIDNEY DISEASE PROGRAM AND ITS STAFF.~~

[13-307.] 13-308.

(a) Subject to the limitations provided in this section, the Commission may adopt rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this subtitle.

(b) The Commission shall adopt physical and medical standards for the operation of dialysis and transplant centers.

(c) (1) The Commission shall adopt reasonable MEDICAL standards for acceptance of an individual for treatment.

(2) The Commission may not adopt any standard that prevents an individual from receiving federal medical or financial aid.

(d) The Commission may adopt rules and regulations for:

(1) [Payment for] COVERAGE OF treatment that is given outside this State; and

(2) Approval or disapproval, for purposes of State payment under this subtitle, of a dialysis or transplant center that is outside this State.

[(e) Only the Commission may adopt rules and regulations under this subtitle.]

(E) THE DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMISSION, SHALL ADOPT RULES AND REGULATIONS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE GOVERNING:

(1) NONMEDICAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR RECIPIENTS; AND

(2) REIMBURSEMENT OF PROVIDERS AND RECOVERY OF PROGRAM EXPENDITURES FROM RECIPIENTS AND THIRD PARTIES.

[13-308.] 13-309.

The Secretary:

(1) Is responsible for the operation of the kidney disease program under this subtitle within the rules, regulations, and standards that the Commission AND THE DEPARTMENT adopts;

(2) Shall disburse and collect any funds under this subtitle; and

(3) Shall keep the Commission informed of: