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(a) A person who violates any provision of this subtitle or any regulation adopted under this subtitle is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a penalty not exceeding \$1,000. Each day a violation is continued after the first conviction is a separate offense.

(b) (1) In addition to the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, the Secretary may impose an administrative penalty of up to \$1,000 for a violation of any provision of this subtitle.

(2) THE SECRETARY SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO PROVIDE STANDARDS FOR THE IMPOSITION OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Joint Committee on Health Care Delivery and Financing shall review the current use and development of health care practice protocols to assist physicians and other health care practitioners in the delivery of medically necessary care. The Joint Committee shall also review the extent to which the current practice protocols are reflected in the utilization review standards and criteria developed by private review agents. The Joint Committee shall consider the feasibility and desirability of using model practice protocols as the standard of care in adjudicating medical malpractice claims or as a factor considered by the Board of Physician Quality Assurance in any disciplinary action related to appropriate utilization of services.

SECTION ~~2~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1992.

Approved May 26, 1992.

CHAPTER 582

(House Bill 1002)

AN ACT concerning

Dentists, Nurses, Physicians, and Physician Assistants – Disciplinary Grounds – Public Service Requirements

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Board of Dental Examiners, the State Board of Nursing, and the State Board of Physician Quality Assurance to take certain disciplinary action against certain applicants ~~or~~, licensees, or certificate holders for failing to begin to fulfill certain public service requirements within a certain time frame; providing a certain contingency and generally relating to disciplinary grounds for certain applicants or licensees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health Occupations
Section 14-404(a)(28), (29), and (30)