

(B) "BOARD" MEANS THE STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIAN QUALITY ASSURANCE ESTABLISHED UNDER TITLE 14 OF THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS ARTICLE.

(C) "CERTIFICATE" MEANS A CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE COMMISSIONER UNDER THIS SUBTITLE TO ACT AS A MEDICAL DIRECTOR.

(D) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE.

(E) "HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 19-701 OF THE HEALTH - GENERAL ARTICLE.

(F) (1) "MEDICAL DIRECTOR" MEANS A PHYSICIAN EMPLOYED BY OR UNDER CONTRACT WITH A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR:

(I) THE ESTABLISHMENT OR MAINTENANCE OF THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES AT THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION FOR:

- 1. QUALITY ASSURANCE; AND
- 2. UTILIZATION MANAGEMENT;

(II) COMPLIANCE WITH THE QUALITY ASSURANCE AND UTILIZATION MANAGEMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES OF THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION; AND

(III) OVERSIGHT OF UTILIZATION REVIEW DECISIONS OF PRIVATE REVIEW AGENTS EMPLOYED BY OR UNDER CONTRACT WITH THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION.

(2) "MEDICAL DIRECTOR" INCLUDES AN ASSOCIATE MEDICAL DIRECTOR OR AN ASSISTANT MEDICAL DIRECTOR, AS DEFINED BY THE COMMISSIONER IN REGULATION.

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THE COMMISSIONER, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT AND THE BOARD, SHALL ESTABLISH AND ADOPT BY REGULATION STANDARDS FOR:

- (1) THE CERTIFICATION OF MEDICAL DIRECTORS;
 - (2) THE RENEWAL, SUSPENSION, AND REVOCATION OF A CERTIFICATE;
- AND
- (3) THE ISSUANCE OF A TEMPORARY CERTIFICATE.

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(A) TO BE CERTIFIED AS A MEDICAL DIRECTOR UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, AN APPLICANT SHALL:

(1) SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE COMMISSIONER ON THE FORM REQUIRED BY THE COMMISSIONER; AND