

(v) Cease the enrollment of any additional enrollees except newborn children or other newly acquired dependents or existing enrollees; or

(vi) Cease any advertising or solicitation;

(2) Impose a penalty of not more than [\$1,000] \$5,000 for each unlawful act committed;

(3) Suspend or revoke the certificate of authority to do business as a health maintenance organization; or

(4) Apply to any court for legal or equitable relief considered appropriate by the Commissioner or the Department, in accordance with the joint internal procedures.

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(i) The Commissioner may procure, on a fee or part-time basis or both, actuarial, legal, technical, or other professional services, INCLUDING THE SERVICES OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW ORGANIZATIONS AND MEDICAL EXPERTS.

(K) THE COMMISSIONER SHALL APPOINT OR CONTRACT WITH A PHYSICIAN AND MAY APPOINT OR CONTRACT WITH OTHER HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ASSISTING THE COMMISSIONER IN PERFORMING THOSE DUTIES OF THE COMMISSIONER THAT RELATE TO THE REGULATION OF HEALTH INSURANCE AND HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS.

2-112.2.

(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) "CARRIER" MEANS:

(I) AN INSURER THAT OFFERS HEALTH INSURANCE OTHER THAN LONG TERM CARE INSURANCE OR DISABILITY INSURANCE;

(II) A NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN;

(III) A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION;

(IV) A DENTAL PLAN ORGANIZATION; OR

(V) EXCEPT FOR A MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATION AS DEFINED IN TITLE 15, SUBTITLE 1 OF THE HEALTH - GENERAL ARTICLE, ANY OTHER PERSON THAT PROVIDES HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS SUBJECT TO REGULATION BY THE STATE.

(3) (I) "PREMIUM" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 1-101 OF THIS ARTICLE TO THE EXTENT IT IS ALLOCABLE TO HEALTH INSURANCE POLICIES OR CONTRACTS ISSUED OR DELIVERED IN THIS STATE.

(II) "PREMIUM" INCLUDES ANY AMOUNTS PAID TO A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION AS COMPENSATION FOR PROVIDING TO MEMBERS