

(2) The Secretary may deny a license to an applicant or revoke a license if the applicant or licensee does not meet the requirements of this subtitle or any rule or regulation that the Secretary adopts under this subtitle.

(B) THE SECRETARY MAY DENY A LICENSE TO AN APPLICANT OR REVOKE A LICENSE IF THE APPLICANT OR LICENSEE VIOLATES TITLE 6.5 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

[(b)] (C) (1) Before any action is taken under this section, the Secretary shall give the applicant or licensee an opportunity for a hearing.

(2) The hearing notice to be given to the applicant or licensee shall be sent at least 10 days before the hearing.

(3) The applicant or licensee is entitled to be represented by counsel at the hearing.

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(Y) THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6.5 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE SHALL APPLY TO THE ACQUISITION OF A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION OWNED BY A NONPROFIT ENTITY.

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(a) A domestic nonprofit health maintenance organization may become a for-profit health maintenance organization under the plan and procedure approved by the Commissioner.

(b) The Commissioner may not approve any plan or procedure unless:

(1) It is equitable to enrollees and shareholders, if any, of the health maintenance organization;

(2) It is in compliance with Title 2, Subtitle 6 of the Corporations and Associations Article; and

(3) The plan or procedure provides that no part of the assets or surplus of the nonprofit health maintenance organization will inure directly or indirectly to any officer or director of the health maintenance organization.

(c) A domestic nonprofit health maintenance organization that becomes a for-profit health maintenance organization shall be given recognition in all respects as a health maintenance organization formed under the laws of this State as of the date of its initial authorization as a nonprofit health maintenance organization.

(d) The certificate of authority, agent appointments, forms, and other filings which are in existence at the time of the conversion from a nonprofit health maintenance organization to a for-profit health maintenance organization shall continue in full force and effect upon conversion if the health maintenance organization at all times remains qualified to engage in business in this State.