

(2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 19-706(ppp)

Annotated Code of Maryland

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Insurance

SUBTITLE 16. PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS.

~~15-1601.~~

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

~~(2) (i) "PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGEMENT SERVICES" MEANS THE ADMINISTRATION OR MANAGEMENT OF PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS.~~

~~(ii) "PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGEMENT SERVICES" INCLUDES:~~

~~1. PROCUREMENT OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS AT A NEGOTIATED RATE FOR DISPENSATION WITHIN THE STATE;~~

~~2. PROCESSING OF PRESCRIPTION DRUG CLAIMS;~~

~~3. ADMINISTRATION OF PAYMENTS RELATED TO PRESCRIPTION DRUG CLAIMS; AND~~

~~4. NEGOTIATING OR ENTERING INTO CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS WITH PHARMACY PROVIDERS.~~

~~(3) "PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER" MEANS A PERSON THAT PERFORMS PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGEMENT SERVICES.~~

~~(B) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION DO NOT APPLY TO A MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATION AUTHORIZED BY TITLE 15, SUBTITLE 1 OF THE HEALTH GENERAL ARTICLE.~~