

The only changes are in style.

REVISOR'S NOTE TO SECTION: Former Article 41, § 59D(g), (o), and (r), which defined "Department", "person", and "Secretary", is deleted as unnecessary in light of the definitions of those terms in § 1-101 of this article.

Former Article 43, § 874(2), which defined "county", is deleted as unnecessary in light of the definition of that term in § 1-101 of this article.

19-102. FINDINGS; RECOGNITION OF FEDERAL ACT.

(A) FINDINGS.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS THAT:

(1) IT IS A PRIORITY OF THIS STATE TO ASSURE ITS CITIZENS EQUAL ACCESS TO QUALITY HEALTH CARE AT A REASONABLE COST; AND

(2) THE CITIZENS OF THIS STATE HAVE A FUNDAMENTAL INTEREST IN PLANNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF QUALITY HEALTH SERVICES WITHIN EACH HEALTH SERVICE AREA.

(B) RECOGNITION OF FEDERAL ACT.

THIS STATE RECOGNIZES THE FEDERAL ACT AND ANY AMENDMENT TO THE FEDERAL ACT THAT DOES NOT REQUIRE STATE LEGISLATION TO BE EFFECTIVE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Article 41, § 59C and former Article 43, § 872(b).

Former Article 43, § 872(a), which also recognized the 1974 Act, is deleted as unnecessary.

Defined terms: "Federal Act" § 19-101
"Health service area" § 19-101

19-103. STATE AGENCY ESTABLISHED.

THERE IS A STATE HEALTH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY IN THE DEPARTMENT.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly appeared as Article 41, § 59E(a).

The word "State" is substituted for "Maryland" to achieve uniformity among the names of the