

executed continuing care agreements and paid entrance fees that are at least equal to the lowest entrance fee charged for an independent living unit or an assisted living unit before entering the continuing care community, regardless of the level of care needed by the subscribers at the time of admission;

2. The facility is located on the campus of the continuing care community; and

3. The number of comprehensive care nursing beds in the community does not exceed:

A. 24 percent of the number of independent living units in a community having less than 300 independent living units; or

B. 20 percent of the number of independent living units in a community having 300 or more independent living units;

(iii) Except for a facility to provide kidney transplant services or programs, a kidney disease treatment facility, as defined by rule or regulation of the United States Department of Health and Human Services;

(iv) Except for kidney transplant services or programs, the kidney disease treatment stations and services provided by or on behalf of a hospital or related institution; or

(v) The office of one or more individuals licensed to practice dentistry under Title 4 of the Health Occupations Article, for the purposes of practicing dentistry.

[(f)] (E) "Health care practitioner" means any individual who is licensed, certified, or otherwise authorized under the Health Occupations Article to provide health care services.

[(g)] (F) "Health service area" means an area of this State that the Governor designates as appropriate for planning and developing of health services.

[(h)] (G) "Local health planning agency" means [a body that the Commission] THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF A JURISDICTION OR A BODY DESIGNATED BY THE LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT [designates] to perform health planning [and development] functions [for a health service area].

(H) "STATE HEALTH PLAN" MEANS THE STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR FACILITIES AND SERVICES.

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(b) (1) In addition to information that an applicant for a certificate of need must provide, the Commission may request, collect, and report any statistical or other information that:

(i) Is needed by the Commission to perform its duties described in this Part II of this subtitle; and