

## HB 863 -- Prompt Credentialing Act

Sponsor: Frederick

This bill establishes the Prompt Credentialing Act which requires every health carrier that credentials health care professionals in a health benefit plan to request credentialing information in a uniform format. A health carrier must send an acknowledgment of the receipt of a completed application to the applicant electronically within 48 hours; but if electronic notification is not available, the receipt acknowledgment must be sent within five business days by mail. A health carrier must make a final determination to credential a health care professional within 60 days of receiving an accurately completed application. Upon a health care professional being credentialed, a health carrier must retroactively reimburse the professional for services rendered from the date of his or her application.