

Health Maintenance and Other Managed Care Organizations

HMOs and other MCOs continue to make incremental advances into the state health care system. The state has proven a viable place for the for-profit hospital chains. This may be due to the small nature of the hospitals and population density. This trend has not occurred in W.P.A. Please see the table of HMO/MCO organizations on page 56 for those serving West Virginia.

Non-Hospital Care Providers

The acute care facilities seem to be expanding into rehabilitation, psychiatry, and skilled nursing care as a means of maintaining their viability. This trend is expected to continue as care is delivered in non-traditional settings. The West Virginia Agency on Aging listed in the Resource Directory will have up-to-date information on this area.

Group Purchasing Organizations

The purchasing organizations listed for W.P.A. on page 13 also cover West Virginia. A source for further group purchasers not listed in directories may be the West Virginia Hospital Association.

Wholesalers, Distributors, and Manufacturer's Representatives

Those listed in the Pennsylvania section on page 14 also serve West Virginia. No medical distributors are listed in the 1995 directory.

Medical Device and Pharmaceutical Manufacturers

Other than the Mylan Laboratories facility, no other manufacturer of these types was found in the state. Please refer to the Pennsylvania listing beginning on page 66 for these manufacturers.

Health Care Consultants

Please see the Pennsylvania listing for consultants located on page 57.