

medicine in any of its branches. Any person who practices medicine or the art or science of healing shall be considered as a practitioner of medicine or surgery. As used herein the phrase "art or science of healing" and the phrase "practice of medicine" shall be construed to include: Operating on, professing to heal, prescribing for or otherwise diagnosing or treating any physical or mental ailment or supposed ailment of another; or for hire or gratuity or compensation, either directly or indirectly paid, undertaking by appliance operation or treatment of whatever nature, to cure, heal, diagnose or treat any bodily or mental ailment or supposed ailment of another; or for hire, gratuity or compensation, either directly or indirectly paid, by or for any patient, undertaking to treat, heal, cure, drive away or remove any physical or mental ailment, or supposed ailment of another, by mental or other process, exercised or invoked on the part of either the medical practitioner or the patient or both. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to apply to gratuitous services, nor to any resident or assistant resident physicians or interns or students at hospitals in the discharge of their hospital or dispensary duties, or in the office of physicians, or to any physician or surgeon from another state, territory or district in which he resides when in actual consultation with a legal practitioner of this State; or to commissioned surgeons of the United States Army, or Navy, or United States Public Service hospitals and Veterans Administration hospitals, or to opticians or masseurs, or other manual manipulators who use no other means, or to the following which are provided for in other sections of this article hereinafter indicated; Midwives, Sections 82-94; optometrists, Sections 368-386; osteopaths, Sections 467-480; chiropodists, Sections 481-494; chiropractors, Sections 499-514; physical therapists, Sections 604-614; nor shall the provisions of this sub-title apply to physicians or surgeons residing on the borders of a neighboring state, and duly authorized under the laws thereof to practice medicine or surgery therein, whose practice extends into the limits of this State; provided, that such practitioners shall not open an office or appoint places to meet their patients or receive calls within the limits of this State without complying with the provisions of this sub-title; provided that the same privileges be accorded to licensed physicians of this State; provided, further, that nothing in this sub-title shall annul any of the provisions of Article 32, title "Dentistry", nor shall apply to any registered graduate of dental surgery now practicing in the said State of Maryland, with the sign title: Dentist, surgeon dentist, dental surgeon or stomatologist, *and further that nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the administration of anesthetics for medical purposes by a legally qualified dentist except as a medical specialty*; and provided, further, that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to prevent or in any way make unlawful or interfere with the sale by manufacturing, wholesale or retail druggists, or any person dealing in drugs or medicines of any proprietary or patent medicine or any official or standard drug or medicine; provided further, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to repeal or in any manner affect the provisions of Section 140 of this article, relating to certain Christian Science practitioners.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1963.

Approved March 14, 1963.