

Important Changes Regarding Not-for-Profit and Community Rehabilitation Program Entities

Effective July 1, 2015, the definition of Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) will only encompass firms that are 51% owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals. This means the Office of MBE will no longer certify Not-for-Profit Entities (NFPEs) defined at State Finance and Procurement Article (SFP) §14-301 or the Community Rehabilitation Program Entities (CRPEs) accredited with the requirements described in SFP § 14-101(B). In addition, all MBE-certified NFPEs or MBE-certified CRPEs will be placed in a temporary list of “**Former MBE-Certified NFPE/CRPE Firms**” that will expire on August 1, 2015. For more information regarding this change, please see 2013 House Bill 48 (http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/2013RS/Chapters_noln/CH_605_hb0048e.pdf) or call the Maryland Department of Transportation, Office of Minority Business Enterprise, 410.865.1269.