

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §33-45-8

## §33-45-8. Exemptions.

- (a) The provisions of this article do not apply to claims that are not covered under the terms of the health plan.
- (b) Nothing in this article shall preclude the right of a provider or insurer to pursue any other administrative, civil or criminal proceedings or remedies permitted under state or federal law.
- (c) The provisions of this article do not apply when there is a good faith dispute about the legitimacy of amount of the claim, or when there is a reasonable basis supported by specific information that such claim was submitted fraudulently or with material misrepresentation.
- (d) An insurer shall not be considered to be in violation of this article if the insurer's failure to comply is caused in material part by the person submitting the claim or the health insurer's compliance is rendered impossible due to matters beyond the insurer's reasonable control.
- (e) A provider shall not be considered to be in violation of this article if the failure to comply is caused in material part by the insured or the provider's compliance is rendered impossible due to matters beyond the provider's reasonable control.
- (f) The provisions of this article do not apply to services provided outside the state.