Teams that initiate, coordinate, and evaluate programs in five designated regions of the State. Team members provide consultation and assistance to local governments and other local resources agencies in the development of plans, program priorities, and requests for funds.

GREAT OAKS CENTER

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Great Oaks Center was established by Chapter 556, Acts of 1967, as the Metropolitan Washington Retardation Center. It adopted its present name in 1971. Great Oaks Center opened in the fall of 1970 to serve mentally retarded and developmentally disabled persons from Calvert, Charles, Montgomery, Prince George's, and St. Mary's counties. Great Oaks was the first regional center to be initiated by the Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Administration.

The first phase of construction provided care and training for 200 mentally retarded residents and a thirty-bed infirmary. The second phase of construction was completed in September 1974, providing living and programming space for an additional 270 residents (Code 1957, Art. 59, sec. 19)

A full range of comprehensive and diversified services and programs are provided by the Center to retarded and developmentally disabled individuals, including respite care, for the counties served. Services and programs in the areas of education, training, and habilitation are programmed in both the Center and in the community for the facility's retarded residents.

A day care program integrates with the programs and services offered by Great Oaks. A Continuum of Services Team serves several outreach functions in the community, such as training parents in their homes to deal with the special problems of their children so that institutionalization may be averted. The Team also works with teachers in local schools to aid them with the education and training needs of their mentally retarded and developmentally disabled students. County Health Departments and community agencies are assisted in the development of resources for the mentally retarded and developmentally disabled. The Team also follows up with

discharged residents to assist them in their maintenance in the community.

HENRYTON CENTER

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This Center was established by Chapter 464, Acts of 1922, for the care of tuberculosis patients. Effective July 1, 1963, by Chapter 110, Acts of 1963, the hospital was transferred to the Department of Mental Hygiene. A training and habilitation program is conducted for severely and profoundly retarded ambulatory residents ages eighteen years and over. Admission is through the Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Administration of the Division of Special Services. A number of the Center's residents participate in community-based activity programs. Respite care is available on a limited basis to Howard, Carroll, Anne Arundel, and Harford counties. Requests for respite care also are made through the Division of Special Services. Henryton is licensed for 330 residents.

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A Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Unit and a Psychiatric Screening and Evaluation unit at Baltimore City Hospitals' "D" Building were created by statute, admitting their first patients in November 1972.

The services provided are designed to provide intensive habilitation for physically handicapped, mentally retarded, and developmentally disabled persons between three and sixteen years of age. The major emphasis is on mobilization training for both nonambulatory and partially ambulatory individuals. The Highland Facility is budgeted for ninety-nine mentally retarded and developmentally disabled residents and forty-seven pyschiatric residents.

A special education program was established in October 1975, which focuses on the special problems and needs of mentally retarded and developmentally disabled residents of the facility.