

## VICTOR CULLEN CENTER

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The Victor Cullen Center was established as a training school for male minors by Chapter 818, Acts of 1965, under the State Department of Public Welfare. It was transferred to the Juvenile Services Administration on July 1, 1967. Prior to 1965 the facilities were known as the Victor Cullen State Hospital, a tuberculosis hospital under the general management of the State Department of Health. From its initial establishment in 1908 to 1965, Victor Cullen had been known as the State Sanitorium. In January 1974 the Victor Cullen School was transferred from the jurisdiction of the Department of Juvenile Services to what is now the Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Administration and redesignated as the Victor Cullen Center.

The Center is oriented toward a nonmedical model of education, training, and habilitation for all of its severely and profoundly retarded residents. The goal of the program is to prepare residents to return to the community within a five-year period. Individualized programs are prepared to implement this long-range goal and residents use the generic services provided by doctors, dentists, speech therapists, occupational therapists, physical therapists, and pharmaceutical services in the local community. More than half of the residents attend day training in the community. The Center is budgeted for ninety residents.

## DRUG ABUSE ADMINISTRATION

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The Drug Abuse Administration, created by Chapter 29, Acts of 1971, succeeded the Drug Abuse Authority, established by Chapter 404, Acts of 1969. The Director of the Administration is appointed by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene.

The Drug Abuse Administration engages in a planning process that identifies needs, policies, and strategies aimed at the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of drug abuse in the State of Maryland. The Administration funds projects based on need and encourages initiatives toward

unique programming for the prevention of drug abuse or the treatment of chemical substance abuse in an effective and efficient manner. This grant-in-aid program emphasizes multi-modality public or private non-profit projects. Current strategies include maximizing coordination with the local health departments and Health Systems Agencies leading to a more thorough identification of local needs. The current policy of the Administration is to maintain facilities in local communities that best serve the unique requirements for chemical substance abuse treatment and rehabilitation in these areas.

It is the responsibility of the Administration to monitor all drug abuse treatment programs in the State and to certify these programs annually as to the quantity and quality of treatment delivered. No drug abuse treatment or prevention program can operate within the State of Maryland, either public or private, without certification by the Drug Abuse Administration.

The Administration cooperates with the Office of Education and Training for Addiction Services, under the Assistant Secretary for Mental Health, Mental Retardation, Addictions, and Developmental Disabilities for the purpose of assuring competent program personnel and adequate information dissemination. The Administration annually publishes a comprehensive plan for drug abuse treatment and prevention (Code 1957, Art. 43B, secs. 1A-22).

## ALCOHOLISM CONTROL ADMINISTRATION

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The Alcoholism Control Administration, created by Chapter 746, Acts of 1976, succeeded the Division of Alcoholism Control of the Mental Health Administration.

The primary functions of the Alcoholism Control Administration are to serve as a clearinghouse for information relating to alcoholism, to develop, encourage, and foster Statewide, regional, and local plans and programs in the field of alcoholism, and to provide technical assistance and consultation to all political subdivisions of the State with respect to programs for the prevention and treatment of alcoholism and the rehabilitation of alcoholics.