

LOCAL HEALTH OPERATION

10.01.02.01 General Local Health Services

This appropriation for general health services in the counties of Maryland is to be portioned among the counties of Maryland by a formula based on estimated total valuations of real and personal property subject to local taxation as the measure of each county's ability to pay for its health services. Such total valuations for each county shall be estimated by the State Tax Commission and certified to the State Board of Health. An estimated budget for minimum health services shall be calculated for each county. Each county's share of its own minimum budget shall be that percentage of half of the total estimated minimum budgets of all counties which that county's total estimated real and personal property valuations bear to the total estimated real and personal property valuations of all counties. Each county's share of the funds available to the State Department of Health is the difference between the total estimated budget for that county and that county's appropriation; however, no county shall pay more than 80% of its minimum budget nor less than 20%. The State Department of Health shall expend the same proportion of its share of the estimated minimum budget in any county, up to the total of its share, that actual expenditures, as established to the satisfaction of the State Board of Health, made by that county for general health services bears to that county's share of its estimated minimum budget, provided that all such expenditures do not exceed the total amounts available under the appropriations herein set forth. The State Board of Health shall allow a transition period of not to exceed five years from July 1, 1956, during which adjustments from the 1955 fiscal year to the basis of financial support outlined herein shall be made in increments of twenty percent (20%) each year. If any county appropriates and expends