

OF THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE, MAY ESTABLISH AN INTERCOUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL, IF THE POPULATION OF ONE OF THE COUNTIES IS TOO SMALL TO WARRANT ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INDEPENDENT PROGRAM. THE INTERCOUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL SHALL BE SELECTED BY THE GOVERNING BODIES OF THE COUNTIES CONCERNED. EACH PARTICIPATING JURISDICTION SHALL APPOINT AT LEAST FOUR MEMBERS.

(C) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION DO NOT APPLY IN ANY COUNTY WHICH, AS OF JULY 1, 1979, HAS AN EXISTING COUNCIL, ADVISORY BOARD, OR OTHER BODY ESTABLISHED BY LAW OR ORDINANCE, WHICH AS ITS SOLE RESPONSIBILITY, REVIEWS POLICIES AND PROGRAMS FOR THE TREATMENT OF DRUG ABUSE AND ALCOHOLISM AND WHICH MAKES RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE APPROPRIATE HEALTH OFFICIALS CONCERNING THOSE POLICIES AND PROGRAMS.

(D) EACH LOCAL OR INTERCOUNTY DRUG ABUSE ADVISORY COUNCIL SHALL:

(1) PERIODICALLY REVIEW WITH THE ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE OF THE DRUG ABUSE COORDINATOR FOR THE COUNTY AVAILABLE SERVICES AND FACILITIES AND DETERMINE LOCAL PROGRAM NEEDS;

(2) ADVISE AND REPORT ANNUALLY TO THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE COUNTY, AND THROUGH THE DRUG ABUSE COORDINATOR FOR THE COUNTY TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE DRUG ABUSE ADMINISTRATION ON PROGRESS OF THE LOCAL DRUG ABUSE PROGRAM AND OF ACTIONS NEEDED FOR FURTHER IMPROVEMENTS;

(3) MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR APPROPRIATE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH AGREED UPON PRIORITIES AND CONSIDERATION OF ALL FINANCIAL RESOURCES;

(4) ASSIST THE LOCAL COORDINATOR IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ANNUAL DRUG ABUSE PLAN;

(5) REVIEW AND COMMENT ON ALL APPLICATIONS FOR STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS FOR DRUG ABUSE PROGRAMS;

(6) PROVIDE INPUT TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON DRUG ABUSE;

(7) ACT AS A LOCAL ADVOCATE FOR DRUG ABUSE PROGRAMMING;

(8) ASSIST, WHEN APPROPRIATE, IN PROGRAM EVALUATIONS; AND

(9) REVIEW THE STATE DRUG ABUSE PLAN.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1979.

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