

(3) make recommendations regarding both short-term and long-term residential services for people with co-occurring disorders, including recommendations on the number of units needed and a timeline for providing residential services;

(4) make recommendations regarding how the Mental Hygiene Administration and Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration may implement cross-training for mental [illness] HEALTH and addiction counselors; [and]

(5) IDENTIFY THE NUMBER OF ~~AFRICAN AMERICANS AND OTHER MINORITIES THAT HAVE CO-OCCURRING DISORDERS~~ DISPARITIES AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON ADDRESSING DISPARITIES IN THE TREATMENT OF CO-OCCURRING DISORDERS IN:

(I) ~~AFRICAN AMERICANS AND OTHER MINORITIES THAT HAVE CO-OCCURRING DISORDERS; AND;~~

(II) OLDER ADULTS; AND

(III) CHILDREN AND YOUTH;

(6) DEVELOP A JOINT PROTOCOL THAT COULD BE USED BY THE ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE ADMINISTRATION AND THE MENTAL HYGIENE ADMINISTRATION ON TREATMENT OF INDIVIDUALS WITH CO-OCCURRING DISORDERS;

(7) STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON DECISIONS AFFECTING INDIVIDUALS WITH CO-OCCURRING DISORDERS THAT SHOULD BE MADE JOINTLY BY THE ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE ADMINISTRATION AND THE MENTAL HYGIENE ADMINISTRATION;

(8) STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF CREATING AN ADVISORY BOARD IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE ON TERMINATION OF THE TASK FORCE; AND

[(5)] ~~(6)~~ (9) make recommendations regarding necessary legislation to implement the Task Force's recommendations.

[(g)] ~~(H)~~ (I) [(1) The Task Force shall issue an interim report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee on or before December 1, 2004.

(2) The Task Force shall issue [a final] AN ANNUAL report on its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee on or before December 1[, 2005] OF EACH YEAR.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That: