

Ex-Officio Members:

Robert H. Riley, M.D., Dr.P.H., Director, Baltimore
Huntington Williams, M.D., Dr.P.H., Commissioner of Health
of Baltimore City

The State Board of Health consists of eight members, six appointed by the Governor; two, the Director of Health, and the Commissioner of Health of Baltimore City are ex-officio members. The State law requires that of the eight members of the Board three shall be physicians, one a civil engineer, one a certified pharmacist and one an experienced doctor of dental surgery, all to be appointed by the Governor, the remaining members to be the Director of Health, and the Commissioner of Health of Baltimore City. The Director of Health, who shall be an experienced physician, skilled in public health and hygiene, holds office as long as he performs his duties in a competent manner. His successor is appointed by the Board. The Governor's appointees serve for a term of six years each.

Dr. Robert H. Riley is Chairman of the Board and Director of Health. He is the Executive Officer of the State Department of Health. He is represented in the field by the Deputy State Health Officers, one in each Sanitary District. Division of the State into ten Sanitary Districts, each consisting of two or three counties, and each in charge of a full-time Deputy State Health Officer, was made in 1914, in accordance with the law enacted that year. Increased functions made it necessary to decrease the territory covered, and the County Health Department Law enacted in 1922 opened the way for full-time departments in individual counties. A third law passed in 1931, changed the number of Sanitary Districts from ten to twenty-three, corresponding to the number of Counties, and gave the necessary sanction for State-wide full-time County health service. Since 1934, there has been full-time health service in every county in the State.

The County Health Officers are designated as Deputy State Health Officers. Through them the Director of Health exercises supervision over all matters affecting public health in the counties of Maryland.

In the Executive Office are five divisions, Industrial Health, Legal Administration, Oral Hygiene, Personnel and Accounts.

Mr. J. Davis Donovan, LL.B., is Chief of the Division of Legal Administration. His duties include the investigation of all infractions of public health laws and representation of the Department in court in cases of prosecution of violations of such laws.

Richard C. Leonard, D.D.S., is chief of the Division of Oral Hygiene. His duties include the organization and supervision of county school dental clinics wherein preschool and school children are examined and either referred to a family dentist, or, in the case of indigent children, given free care. Educational work on the importance and maintenance of mouth health is carried on through lectures, clinics, moving pictures and pamphlets distributed through the Division.

Wm. F. Reindollar, Sc.D., Acting Chief of the Division of Industrial Health. His duties include the enforcement of the provisions of the Workmen's Compensation Law for the prevention of occupational disease; visits plants to determine the extent and severity of health hazards and makes recommendations for correction wherever indicated; assists industry in organizing and improving the medical departments.