

On July 1, 1970, the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene created a Directorate of Mental Retardation by Executive Order. This Directorate was superseded on August 1, 1971, by the present Mental Retardation Administration which is charged with responsibility for all programs for the mentally retarded formerly administered by the Department of Health, and the Department of Mental Hygiene. The newly-created Administration coordinates new and existing programs with appropriate State agencies, parent organizations, and private facilities which serve the mentally retarded and their families. It has adopted as its primary goals, the development of every mentally retarded person to his maximum potential and maximum degree of independence. In order to help the retardate develop to his potential, the Administration is striving to provide a continuum of care to the retardate and his family. The Administration operates two hospitals and one regional center.

Appropriations	1971	1972
General Funds .....	\$2,277,031	\$5,344,093
Staff: 12.		

### GREAT OAKS CENTER

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Great Oaks Center was established by Chapter 556, Acts of 1967, as the Metropolitan Washington Retardation Center. It adopted its present name in 1971. The residential facility opened in the fall of 1970 and has space for 230 residents. It is designed to provide a full range of services, both in the residential setting and community to non-ambulatory and partially-ambulatory mentally retarded residents born after November 1, 1958 from Calvert, Charles, Montgomery, Prince George's, and St. Mary's counties.

Great Oaks Center is the first regional program to be initiated by the Mental Retardation Administration of the Maryland State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. Later construction will provide living and program space for 500 residents (Code 1957, 1968 Repl. Vol., Art. 59, sec. 19).

Appropriations	1971	1972
General Funds .....	\$2,260,703	\$2,580,851
Staff: 1972, 323.		

### HENRYTON STATE HOSPITAL

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This hospital was established by Chapter 464, Acts of 1922, and provided for the care of tuberculous patients. Effective July 1, 1963, by Chapter 110, Acts of 1963, the hospital was transferred to the Department of Mental Hygiene. A special training and habilitation program for severely and moderately retarded, ambulatory adults is being carried out. Admission is through Rosewood State Hospital Pre-Admission Services. Occupancy is 400 beds.

The budget is predicated upon a population of 400.