funeral directing and embalming in the State must register with, and procure a license from, the Board. Each establishment is to be licensed annually.

The Board must renew licenses annually, and it has the power to suspend or revoke any license. The Board makes regulations for the enforcement of provisions in the laws regarding funeral directing and embalming. In general, the laws deal with qualifications and examinations of applicants for license and registration. Examinations are held annually at a time and place to be fixed by the Board (Code 1957, 1971 Repl. Vol., Art. 43, secs. 339-63). By Chapter 443, Acts of 1971, the Board issues licenses for funeral establishments (Code 1957, 1971 Repl. Vol., 1975 Supp., Art. 43, sec. 361).

## GREATER LAUREL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

Chairman: Roderick E. Shipley, M.D., 1979

William C. Beven, 1977; Martin E. Levy, 1977; James L. Lewis, 1977; Marilyn J. Praisner, 1977; Dorothy Glace, 1978; Celia Jimenez, 1978; William E. Shipley, 1978; Andrew Tegeris, 1978; Harry T. Rorabaugh, 1979; Charles I. Warfield, M.D., 1979; Shirley Witherald, 1979.

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The Greater Laurel Hospital Authority was created by Chapter 256, Acts of 1970, to construct, operate and oversee the construction or operation of a comprehensive public health facility including a full-service public hospital in the general vicinity of Laurel.

The Authority is governed by a twelvemember Board of Directors appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate for terms of three years. Persons appointed must reside in the general area to be served by the Authority. Three members are appointed from Anne Arundel County, three from Howard County, three from Montgomery County, and three from Prince George's County. Initially, one member was appointed from each county for a one-year term, one from each for a two-year term, and one from each for a three-year term. At least one of the members from each county must be a certified member of the medical profession. The Authority selects its own officers.

The Board of Directors of the Authority has the power to pass all by-laws required to construct, operate and maintain this comprehensive health facility. The Board may also accept certain gifts and grants, issue revenue bonds to fund its capital improvement program, and if necessary, establish additional hospitals, nursing homes, extended care facilities, general health facilities, clinics, and any other medical centers or any other facilities (Code 1957, 1971 Repl. Vol., Art. 43, secs. 755-766; 1975 Supp., Art. 43, secs. 757, 760, 766).

## COMMISSION ON HEREDITARY DISORDERS

Chairman: W. Sheperdson Abell, 1978

Vice Chairman: Bernice Sigman, M.D., University of Maryland School of Medicine, 1977

Ex officio members: Inge Renner, M.D.; J. King B. E. Seegar, Jr., M.D.; J. M. Joseph, M.D.; Margaret Needham; Talmadge H. Pinkney, M.D.

Appointed by the President of the Senate: Julian L. Lapides, 1979

Appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates: Walter R. Dean, Jr., 1979

Appointed by the Governor: Shirley R. Clinton, Monumental Medical Society of Baltimore, 1976; Marian Scarborough, 1976; Neil A. Holzman, M.D., The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, 1977; Victor A. McCusick, M.D., Medical and Chirurgical Faculty of Maryland, 1977; Robert P. Diggs, 1978; Edward Williams, 1979; Francis Colletta, 1980.

The Commission on Hereditary Disorders, created by Chapter 695, Acts of 1973, establishes a program on hereditary disorders.

The Commission is composed of eleven members appointed for terms of four years.