GREEN RIDGE YOUTH CENTER

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Green Ridge Youth Center was established in May 1955 as a specialized institution in Allegany County to be operated by the State Department of Public Welfare (now the Social Services Administration) in cooperation with the State Department of Forests and Parks (now the Maryland Forest Service). During fiscal year 1964 the facilities were expanded to accommodate thirty-five boys. In 1969 a work-study program was initiated to provide one-half day school and one-half day work experience.

MAPLE RUN YOUTH CENTER

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The 1965 General Assembly appropriated funds to establish a permanent center at Maple Run in the Green Ridge State Forest, approximately eight miles south of Route 40 in Allegany County. The center was completed and occupied on April 7, 1967, with facilities for thirty-five boys (Chapter 743, Acts of 1965).

SAVAGE MOUNTAIN YOUTH CENTER

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The success of the first Youth Center at Green Ridge prompted the General Assembly to appropriate capital funds for additional facilities (Chapter 98, Acts of 1956). Savage Mountain Youth Center, four miles from Lonaconing in Allegany County, opened in December 1957 with facilities for twenty-five boys. During fiscal year 1964 the facilities were expanded to accommodate thirty boys and in 1968 and 1970 capital funds were appropriated to increase capacity to thirty-five boys.

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The Laboratories Administration has broad responsibilities for making a wide variety of laboratory tests to assist physicians and health officials in the prevention, diagnosis, and control of human diseases. The Administration makes examinations in connection with the enforcement of the State's health laws, and the chemical, microbiological, and radiological surveillance of the environment related to foods, waters, sewage, air, pharmaceuticals, bedding, and upholstery. It also licenses, if in compliance with minimum standards and qualifications, all blood banks and clinical laboratories, certifies laboratories that examine water and dairy products involved in shipments out of Maryland, and periodically inspects all such laboratories to assure compliance.

In addition to the Central Laboratory in Baltimore, there are eight branch laboratories throughout the State.

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The Preventive Medicine Administration provides technical and professional assistance and consultation, as well as some direct services, to other Administrations under the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, and to the subdivisions of the State, primarily local health departments. The Preventive Medicine Administration is responsible for many diversified activities. The general Maternal and Child Health Program is concerned with maternal health and population dynamics (family planning), infant, child, and adolescent health, day care and school health services, and provision of services for heritable disorders. Crippled Children's Services stresses early diagnosis and treatment to prevent costly handicapping disabilities, thus promoting the fullest potential of each child. Communicable Disease and Epidemiology provides immunization programs against childhood and some adult epidemic diseases, including influenza and venereal disease control services. Veterinary Medicine is concerned with the control of animal conditions that adversely affect public health. The staff is representative of many professions and includes physicians qualified in the specialties of pediatrics, obstetrics, and epidemiology; public health nurses with special preparation and training in obstetrics and pediatrics; and psychologists, nutritionists, public health veterinarians, social workers, physi-