

The major goal of the Unit is to habilitate clients so they might return to a community setting of a less restrictive nature. Service capability is for fifty clients.

Citizens Advisory Board for Brandenburg Center

Chairperson: Lawrence V. Kelly, 1987

Victor E. Kelbaugh, 1985; Betty June Dougan, 1986; C. Fleurette Brandenburg, 1987; Albert E. Brant, 1987; Albert Coviello, 1987; Joseph F. Yutzy, 1988.

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VICTOR CULLEN CENTER

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Origins of the Victor Cullen Center date to 1908, when the State Sanatorium was established. In 1949 the Board of Public Works renamed the Sanatorium as the Victor Cullen State Hospital, a tuberculosis hospital under the oversight of the State Department of Health. In 1965 the Victor Cullen Center was established as a training school for male minors under the State Department of Public Welfare (Chapter 818, Acts of 1965). It was transferred to the Juvenile Services Administration on July 1, 1967. In January 1974 the Victor Cullen School was transferred from the jurisdiction of Juvenile Services to what is now the Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Administration. It was then redesignated as the Victor Cullen Center.

The Center is oriented toward a nonmedical model of education, training, and habilitation for all of its severely and profoundly retarded residents. The goal of the program is to prepare residents to return to the community within a five-year period. Individualized programs are prepared to implement this long-range goal, and residents use the generic services provided by doctors, dentists, speech therapists, occupational therapists, physical therapists, and pharmaceutical services in the local community. More than half of the residents attend day training in the community. The Center is budgeted for ninety residents (Code Health-General Article, sec. 7-305).

Citizens Advisory Board for Victor Cullen Center

Chairperson: Vacancy

Alfred A. Pansa, 1985; Samuel W. Inmon, 1987; Mary V. Schnurr, 1987; Dr. Eileen Steele, 1987; *three vacancies.*

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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. Great Oaks Center opened in the fall of 1970 to serve mentally retarded and developmentally disabled persons from Calvert, Charles, Montgomery, Prince George's, and St. Mary's counties. Great Oaks was the first regional center established by the Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Administration. The Center can provide care and training for 470 mentally retarded residents (Code Health-General Article, sec. 7-305).

Retarded and developmentally disabled individuals receive a full range of comprehensive and diversified services and programs, including respite care. Education, training, and habilitation services and programs for the facility's retarded residents are offered in both the Center and in the community.

A day care program integrates programs and services offered by Great Oaks. A Continuum of Services Team serves several outreach functions in the community, such as training parents in their homes to deal with the special problems of their children so that institutionalization may be averted. The team also works with teachers in local schools to aid them with the education and training needs of their mentally retarded and developmentally disabled students. County health departments and community agencies are assisted in the development of resources for the mentally retarded and developmentally disabled. The team also provides follow up services for discharged residents to assist them in the community.

Citizens Advisory Board for Great Oaks Center

Chairperson: Harold L. Flannagan, 1985

Mildred Parker, 1985; Monroe Karasick, 1986; Scott Daughhettee, 1988; Barbara L. Kane, 1988;