

A Long Term Care Division, reporting to the Director on Aging, directs the planning, implementation, and evaluation of long term care services for the elderly managed by the Office on Aging and other departments and agencies. The Division develops policies and initiatives for promoting statewide long term care activities aimed at minimizing institutionalization of the frail elderly. It also provides staff support to the Interagency Committee on Aging Services. The Division includes the Ombudsman Program and the Gateway II project. Gateway II is a project designed to offer screening, assessment, and case management services to frail elderly persons.

The Administration area includes financial management, housing, public information, personnel administration, and intergovernmental and community relations.

The Financial Management Division is responsible for budget planning and preparation, fiscal analysis, accounting, and auditing.

The Housing Division develops, certifies, and assists in the operation of sheltered housing for the elderly. Such housing provides a residential environment with assistance as needed for activities of daily living. The Division also certifies the continuing care facilities operated by the private sector to provide long-term shelter and care to elderly persons. Information disclosed through the registration process is open to public inspection as a consumer protection to prospective residents.

The Public Information Division disseminates public information and education on programs and activities of the Office on Aging and on program and policy issues of concern to the elderly. The Division represents the Office on Aging in public information relationships with the media and organized senior citizen groups (Code 1957, Act. 70B).

## THE COMMISSION ON AGING

*Chairperson:* Francis L. Holsinger, 1987

Dr. Edmund G. Beacham, 1985; John Lada, 1985; Wilbert L. Walker, 1985; Madge C. Cheek, 1986; Katherine A. Endslo, 1986; Katheryn D. Mitchell, 1986; Laurence A. Stappler, 1986; Atlee C. Keppler, Ed.D., 1987; David O. Reid, 1987; Rose Sullivan, 1987.

*Ex officio:* Margaret C. Schweinhaut, *Senate*; Pauline H. Menes, *House of Delegates*.

The Commission on Aging advises the Director on Aging regarding programs and concerns of the Office on Aging. The Commission consists of

thirteen members appointed by the Governor to four-year terms. Eleven members, who represent various regions, are selected because of their interest in the problems of the aging. Of the thirteen members, no less than seven must be fifty-five years of age or over. One member of the State Senate and one House of Delegates member serve as non-voting Commission members. The Governor designates the chairperson (Code 1957, Art. 70B, sec. 3).

## GUARDIANSHIP ADVISORY BOARD

Noel List, M.D.; Stephen J. Nolan; Rev. Dr. John Sharp.

The Guardianship Advisory Board advises the Director on Aging regarding her responsibilities as the guardian of persons. Established by Chapter 521, Acts of 1981, the Board is appointed by the Director on Aging. It consists of an attorney, a physician, and a third member who is neither an attorney nor a physician (Code Estates and Trusts Article, sec. 13-707).

## INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE ON AGING SERVICES

*Chairperson:* Rosalie S. Abrams, Director on Aging

Adele Wilzack, *Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene*; Ruth Massinga, *Secretary of Human Resources*.

The Interagency Committee on Aging Services was established as part of the Executive Department by Chapters 101 and 330, Acts of 1982. The Committee is responsible for developing and updating a plan to provide coordinated health and social services to Maryland's elderly. It consolidates planning and evaluation efforts at the State and local levels. Annually, the Committee presents to the Governor and the General Assembly a consolidated operating budget for aging services.

The Committee consists of the Director on Aging, the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, and the Secretary of Human Resources. The Director on Aging serves as chairperson (Code 1957, Art. 70B, secs. 4A-4D).

## STATE ARCHIVES

## HALL OF RECORDS COMMISSION

*Chairperson:* Robert C. Murphy, *Chief Judge, Court of Appeals of Maryland*