

The Office directs two chronic and rehabilitative hospital centers—Deer's Head Center and Western Maryland Center. Montebello Center is operated through a contract with the University of Maryland. That contract is monitored by the Office of Chronic and Rehabilitation Facilities. The Office also administers the Rehabilitation Information Service.

**REHABILITATION INFORMATION SERVICE**

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Created in 1984, the Rehabilitation Information Service provides information on rehabilitation services to persons who have suffered amputation, stroke, spinal cord injury, or head trauma (Chapter 416, Acts of 1984). The Service also responds to the needs of other disabled individuals. Inquiries are accepted from anywhere in Maryland (Code Health—General Article, sec. 20-108).

**DEER'S HEAD CENTER**

Robert C. Elliott, M.D., *Director*

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Authorized by Chapter 994, Acts of 1945, Deer's Head Center was established in 1950. It is a regional facility for chronically ill and elderly adults in need of medical and rehabilitation services, or general medical care for chronic disease or terminal illness. The Center also operates a kidney dialysis facility for area residents.

Deer's Head Center provides the services of a chronic disease hospital (including a small hospice service) and a comprehensive care facility, as well as outpatient and end-stage kidney dialysis, and outpatient rehabilitation therapy. The licensed capacity for the Center is 188 hospital beds and 33 comprehensive care beds (Code Health—General Article, sec. 19-502).

**CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD FOR DEER'S HEAD CENTER**

*Chairperson:* Oscar J. Chapman, Ph.D., 1991

Mary Elizabeth Ellis, 1989; Adah Elaine Brown, 1990; Louise L. Gulyas, 1992; Richard L. Hamilton, 1992; Samuel Q. Johnson III, 1992; William D. Waters, Sr., 1992.

Upon recommendation of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, the Governor appoints the Board's seven members to four-year terms.

**MONTEBELLO CENTER**

James P. G. Flynn, M.D., *Director*

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Authorized by Chapter 412, Acts of 1951, Montebello Center opened in 1953. Montebello is a comprehensive care rehabilitation center, accredited by the Commission of Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities. Funded through the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, the Center is operated as an integral part of the University of Maryland Medical System.

The Center provides intensive rehabilitation services to patients with head and spinal cord injury and other trauma, stroke, and rehabilitable disabilities. It also provides rehabilitation services to outpatients (Code Health—General Article, secs. 19-501 through 19-513).

**CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD FOR MONTEBELLO CENTER**

*not yet appointed.*

The Governor, upon recommendation of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, appoints the Board's seven members to four-year terms.

**WESTERN MARYLAND CENTER**

Carl A. Fischer, M.D., *Director*

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Western Maryland Center was established as Western Maryland State Hospital in 1952 (Chapter 53, Acts of 1952). It opened in 1957.

The Center provides chronic hospital and comprehensive care facility inpatient care, outpatient end-stage kidney dialysis, adult day treatment services, and outpatient rehabilitation services. Currently, it has 117 licensed hospital beds and 58 licensed comprehensive care beds for rehabilitation services and the care of the chronically ill. An outpatient unit provides hemodialysis for patients with chronic kidney disease (Code Health—General Article, sec. 19-502).

**CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD FOR WESTERN MARYLAND CENTER**

*Chairperson:* Roberta Niklewski, R.N., 1992

Rev. C. Richard Masters, 1989; Donald F. Munson, 1990; Marguerite E. Doleman, 1991; Peter G. Callas, 1992; Jack M. Goldman, 1992; Kery C. Hummel, 1992.

The Board's seven members are appointed to four-year terms by the Governor upon recommendation of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene.