

R. Claudy, M.D., 1990; David Morris Levine, M.D., Sc.D., 1990; Edward Magruder Passano, Jr., 1990; Betsy D. Simon, H.E.M., 1990; Janet W. Neslen, M.D., 1991; Rose D. Nohe, 1991; James H. Biddison, M.D., 1992; Lester Buster, 1992; Valeria A. Tocci, 1992.

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225-5891

The Commission originated as the Commission on High Blood Pressure in 1976 (Chapter 792, Acts of 1976). It became the State Commission on High Blood Pressure and Related Cardiovascular Risk Factors in 1986 (Chapter 486, Acts of 1986). The Commission establishes guidelines to manage and treat high blood pressure and related cardiovascular risk factors. The Commission also develops and promotes educational programs to prevent and treat these conditions.

The Commission consists of sixteen members appointed by the Governor for terms of four years. Ten members are chosen from lists of qualified individuals submitted by the American Heart Association—Maryland Affiliate; the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty of the State of Maryland; the Maryland Conference of Health Officers; the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; the Maryland Hospital Association; the Maryland Nurses Association; the Monumental City Medical Society; the University of Maryland Hospital and School of Medicine; The Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions; and the State Health Resources Planning Commission. A consumer member is appointed with Senate advice and consent (Code Health—General Article, secs. 13-201 through 13-206).

STATE COMMISSION ON KIDNEY DISEASE

Chairperson: John H. Sadler, M.D., 1989

Appointed by Governor: Lawrence D. Bohan, M.D., 1988; W. Gordon Walker, M.D., 1988; John David Young, Jr., M.D., 1988; Francis P. Chiaramonte, M.D., 1989; Louise P. Cavagnaro, 1990; Irwin Wolkstein, 1990; Ray C. Brown, 1991; Philip M. Jos, 1991; Joel H. Pachino, 1991; James J. H. Carey, M.D., 1992.

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The State Commission on Kidney Disease was created in 1971 (Chapter 492, Acts of 1971). The Commission oversees a program of State assistance throughout Maryland for persons with chronic renal disease.

The Commission gathers and disseminates information on the treatment of chronic renal disease

in the State. It also sets physical and medical standards for the operation of dialysis and renal transplantation centers, and sets standards for the acceptance of a patient into the treatment phase of such programs. Patients accepted into the treatment phase of the program are eligible for State medical assistance. For the public and providers of health services, the Commission also institutes and supervises educational programs on kidney disease and its treatment and prevention. The Commission evaluates the entire kidney disease program annually and reports its evaluation to the Governor.

The Commission consists of twelve members appointed to four-year terms by the Governor. Four members are lay persons to the field of medicine, two represent the medical insurance industry, and one is appointed at the Governor's discretion. The remaining five members are appointed by the Governor from lists of names submitted respectively by the Kidney Foundation of Maryland, the State Health Resources Planning Commission, the medical faculties of the University of Maryland and The Johns Hopkins University, and the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty of the State of Maryland. The Commission appoints the executive director (Code Health—General Article, secs. 13-301 through 13-307).

STATE BOARD OF MORTICIANS

President: Doris K. McCully, 1990

Appointed by Governor upon recommendation of Secretary of Health & Mental Hygiene and Senate advice & consent: Gerald C. Bounds, 1989; Walter G. Dabrowski, 1989; Jack H. Levinson, 1989; Susan A. Cohen, 1990; Robert T. Foard, Jr., 1990; Maggie Christine Lane, 1990; Robert C. Adams, Sr., 1991; Richard A. Coleman, 1991; Erich W. March, 1991; Hilary L. Stallings, 1991.

Ex officio: Thomas J. Murphy, *designee of Secretary of Health & Mental Hygiene*

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The State Board of Morticians was established as the State Board of Undertakers in 1902 (Chapter 160, Acts of 1902). In 1937, it was renamed the State Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers. The Board received its present name in 1981 (Chapter 8, Acts of 1981).

Every funeral director and embalmer in the State must register with and procure a license from the Board. The Board renews licenses every two years and has the power to suspend or revoke any license. The Board makes regulations for the enforcement of laws regarding funeral directing and embalming.

The Board consists of eleven members appointed to four-year terms by the Governor upon