

MARYLAND CITIZEN BOARD FOR  
REVIEW OF FOSTER CARE FOR  
CHILDREN

*Chairperson:* Joan Graham, 1989

Appointed by Governor: Timothy W. Griffith,  
1991

Elected by local review boards: Robert Duncan;  
John Fisher; Ann Fleet; Iris Gordon; Sara Jane  
Hoyle; Sheldon Laskin; Sandra Schiller; *two*  
*vacancies. Terms expire 1989.*

Ex officio: Carolyn D. Wainwright.

Alice P. Williams, *Administrator*

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The Maryland Citizen Board for Review of Foster Care for Children was established in 1978 to coordinate the activities of local citizen review boards (Chapter 980, Acts of 1978). The State Board promulgates policies and procedures relating to the functions of local review boards. It also makes recommendations to the General Assembly on foster care policies and procedures (Code Family Law Article, secs. 5-535 through 5-547).

The State Board is composed of eleven members. Each local review board of Judicial Circuits nos. 1 through 7 elects a member to the State Board. From Judicial Circuit no. 8, the local review boards choose three State Board members. The Governor also appoints one member from the executive staff. Members serve two-year terms concurrent with their individual terms on the local review board.

The Administrator is appointed by the State Board with the approval of the Secretary of Human Resources.

Local review board members are appointed by the Governor for four-year terms. There are five members and two alternates on each local board.

Every six months, the local boards review cases of children who have resided in foster care for more than six months to determine what efforts have been made towards their permanent placement. For each child reviewed, a recommendation is sent to the local department of social services and the juvenile court. With the concurrence of the Social Services Administration, the State Board may establish categories of foster children for whom a satisfactory permanent arrangement has been made and who may be exempt from local review.

OFFICE OF CHILD CARE  
LICENSING AND REGULATION

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In 1988, the General Assembly authorized the Secretary of Human Resources to adopt rules and regulations for the licensing and operation of child care centers (Chapter 247, Acts of 1988). This regulatory authority was mandated to ensure that children in child care centers have safe and sanitary conditions; proper care, protection, and supervision; good health; sound growth and development; and a homelike environment.

The Office of Child Care Licensing and Regulation was established as part of the Department of Human Resources in 1988 (Chapter 247, Acts of 1988). The Office regulates and licenses child care centers, family day care homes, and nonpublic nursery schools. When needed, the Office also suspends, revokes, or denies licenses to child care facilities. The Office also works with consumers and advocacy groups to increase the number of child care facilities in Maryland (Code Family Law Article, secs. 5-570 through 5-588).

INTERAGENCY CHILD CARE COUNCIL

*Chairperson:*

Ruth Massinga, *Secretary of Human Resources*

Adele Wilzack, *Secretary of Health & Mental Hygiene*; Joseph L. Shilling, *State Superintendent of Schools*; Dorothy V. Harris, *Director for Children & Youth*; Herman Behling; Polly B. Harrison, M.D.; Jestine Pryor; Adolphus Spain.

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The Interagency Child Care Council was created in 1986 (Chapters 113 and 114, Acts of 1986). The Council is a part of the Department of Human Resources for budgetary and administrative purposes only.

The Council consists of six members. They are the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, the Secretary of Human Resources, the State Superintendent of Schools, and the primary program managers for the child care programs. The Governor designates the chairperson. Authorization for the Council continues until July 1, 1991 (Code State Government Article, secs. 9-1401 through 9-1405).