

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

### SOUTHERN MARYLAND REGION

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The Regional Director for the Southern Maryland Region oversees administration of community-based services and two mental hygiene facilities: Crownsville Hospital Center, and the Regional Institute for Children and Adolescents—Southern Maryland.

### CROWNSVILLE HOSPITAL CENTER

Haroon R. Ansari, Ph.D., *Administrator*  
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In 1910, Crownsville Hospital Center was established as the Hospital for the Negro Insane of Maryland (Chapter 250, Acts of 1910). The Hospital opened to patients in 1911 and was renamed Crownsville State Hospital in 1912 (Chapter 187, Acts of 1912). The Hospital was desegregated in 1949 (Chapter 685, Acts of 1949).

The Center admits mentally ill patients from Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's counties as well as some from Baltimore City and Prince George's County. The facility is funded for a daily average of 253 patients (Code Health—General Article, sec. 10-406).

### CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD FOR CROWNSVILLE HOSPITAL CENTER

Mary Jo Strauss, Ph.D., *Chairperson*, 1997

Appointed by the Governor upon recommendation of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, the Board's eleven members serve four-year terms. Six members must be Anne Arundel County residents. Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's counties, and Baltimore City are each represented by one of their residents (Code Health—General Article, sec. 10-411).

### REGIONAL INSTITUTE FOR CHILDREN & ADOLESCENTS—SOUTHERN MARYLAND

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The Regional Institute opened as Cheltenham Center in 1976. Then, it was funded by a State grant from the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene through the Prince George's County Health Department. In 1982, the Center became a State institution renamed the Regional Institute for Children and Adolescents—Prince George's

County (Chapter 891, Acts of 1982). Since 1989, it has been known as the Regional Institute for Children and Adolescents—Southern Maryland. The Institute serves severely emotionally disturbed boys and girls, ages 12 to 18 years old, from Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's counties.

Most young people at the Institute reside there. Their average length of stay is eight months. Some day students receive therapy and schooling at the Institute but live at home. The Institute is funded to serve a daily average of 28 youth, including students referred by the court for evaluation and young people who receive day treatment.

### CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD FOR REGIONAL INSTITUTE FOR CHILDREN & ADOLESCENTS—SOUTHERN MARYLAND

M. Edward Jaffe, *Chairperson*, 1996

Appointed by the Governor upon recommendation of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, the Board has eleven members who serve four-year terms. Members include two residents each of Calvert, Charles and St. Mary's counties, and five residents of Prince George's County. One member from each county must be a parent or relative of a resident or former resident of the Institute (Code Health—General Article, sec. 10-411).

### WESTERN MARYLAND REGION

Archie Wallace, *Acting Regional Director*  
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The Regional Director for the Western Maryland Region oversees administration of community-based services and the Thomas B. Finan Hospital Center.

### THOMAS B. FINAN HOSPITAL CENTER

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Opened in October 1978, the Thomas B. Finan Hospital Center provides services to individuals of all ages with mental disabilities. The Center also cares for substance abusers and mentally retarded persons. Serving Allegany, Garrett and Washington counties, the Center is funded through the Developmental Disabilities Administration and the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration for 113 mental health beds (Code Health—General Article, sec. 10-406).

### CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD FOR THOMAS B. FINAN HOSPITAL CENTER

Hope E. Mahoney, *Chairperson*, 1995

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