

EASTERN SHORE REGION

Mary Kay Noren, *Regional Director*
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The Regional Director for the Eastern Shore Region oversees administration of community-based services and two mental hygiene facilities: Eastern Shore Hospital Center, and Upper Shore Community Mental Health Center.

EASTERN SHORE HOSPITAL CENTER

Mary Kay Noren, *Acting Superintendent*

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Eastern Shore Hospital Center was established in 1912 as Eastern Shore State Hospital (Chapter 187, Acts of 1912). The Hospital admitted its first patients in 1915.

The Center cares for mentally ill patients who are residents of the Eastern Shore. The facility is funded for a daily average of 170 patients (Code Health—General Article, sec. 10-406).

**CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD FOR
EASTERN SHORE HOSPITAL CENTER &
UPPER SHORE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH
CENTER**

George R. Ames, Jr., *Chairperson*, 1995

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

**UPPER SHORE COMMUNITY MENTAL
HEALTH CENTER**

William W. Tubman, Jr., *Administrator*

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The Upper Shore Community Mental Health Center, which opened in 1982, is a multipurpose mental health hospital. The Center serves a daily average of 55 patients and provides psychiatric services for eligible persons, 16 years of age and older, from Caroline, Cecil, Kent, Queen Anne's and Talbot counties. The Center also provides a 15-bed juvenile detention center and a 20-bed intermediate care unit for alcoholics over the age of 18 (Code Health—General Article, sec. 10-406).

**CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD FOR UPPER SHORE
COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER**

See Citizens Advisory Board for Eastern Shore Hospital Center and Upper Shore Community Mental Health Center

**HEALTH CARE POLICY,
FINANCE, & REGULATION**

Vacancy, *Deputy Secretary for Health Care Policy,
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The office of Deputy Secretary for Health Care Policy, Finance, and Regulation began in 1975 as the Office of Regulatory Services. By 1981, responsibilities of the Office were assigned to the Assistant Secretary for Health Regulation and Policy Analysis and, by 1985, to the Assistant Secretary for Health Regulation. In 1987, the position of Deputy Secretary for Policy, Financing, and Regulation was created and, in 1988, it became the Deputy Secretary for Health Care Policy, Finance, and Regulation.

The Deputy Secretary oversees the principal health regulatory functions of the Department and provides leadership and guidance for the Department's financing, regulatory and licensing programs. This entails oversight of regulatory functions of the State Health Services Cost Review Commission, the State Health Resources Planning Commission, and the Maryland Health Care Access and Cost Commission; compliance with regulations and standards of the Medical Care Compliance Administration and the Licensing and Certification Administration; payments for services through the Medical Care Operations Administration; and financing and policy of the Medical Care Policy Administration.

With the assistance of the Policy and Health Statistics Administration, the Deputy Secretary develops recommendations for the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to modify and shape the role of the Department. The Deputy Secretary helps define health problems, evaluates Department programs, and develops data on federal and other external trends so as to advise the Secretary on program emphasis and Department direction.

The Deputy Secretary plans, directs, and evaluates the Medical Assistance Program (Medicaid). The Medical Assistance Program provides access to health care for categorically and medically needy residents throughout Maryland. Health care includes hospital inpatient and outpatient services, laboratory and X-ray services, nursing facility services, physician services, and home health care. Additional health care is available as indicated in the Medical Assistance State Plan. The Program is implemented by the Medical Care Compliance Administration, the Medical Care Operations Administration, and the Medical Care Policy Administration.

Health care expenses of the Medical Assistance Program are federally matched on a 50/50 basis for approximately 90 percent of the recipients. For the