

1994; Lealia Story, 1995; Richard M. Davis, 1996; Lynnnda S. Kratovil, 1996; Barbara Sieradski, 1996; J. Timothy Fagan, 1997; Leonard T. Phillips, 1997; one vacancy.

SPRINGFIELD HOSPITAL CENTER
(ML08, formerly 32.12.08) (Sykesville)
FY1996 appropriation \$50,729,366
FY1996 authorized positions 1,058.5
Paula Langmead, *Superintendent*
. (410) 795-2100

CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD FOR
SPRINGFIELD HOSPITAL CENTER
John B. Whinningham, *Chair*, 1996
*Appointed by Governor upon
recommendation of Secretary of Health &
Mental Hygiene:* Dorothy Bockoven,
1995; Marie B. Dearing, 1996;
Christopher Freeman-Clark, 1996;
Roslyn E. Lehman, 1996; Philip R.
Deitchman, 1997; Rev. William J. Hunt,
1998.

UPPER SHORE COMMUNITY MENTAL
HEALTH CENTER (ML12, formerly 32.12.12)
(Chestertown)
FY1996 appropriation \$6,154,330
FY1996 authorized positions 125
William W. Tubman, Jr., Ed.D.,
Administrator. (410) 778-6800

CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD FOR
UPPER SHORE COMMUNITY MENTAL
HEALTH CENTER
Marsha Mazza, *Chair*, 1999
*Appointed by Governor upon
recommendation of Secretary of Health &
Mental Hygiene:* Marian Niskey, 1996;
Walter B. Palmer III, 1996; Margaret W.
Selby, 1996; Emma M. Wineholt, 1997;
Lillian B. Watkins, 1997; Francis L.
Holsinger, 1998.

OFFICE OF CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER
(MF0501, formerly 32.06.05.01)
FY1996 appropriation. \$4,641,425
FY1996 authorized positions 70
John E. Smialek, M.D., *Chief Medical Examiner*
. (410) 333-3225

STATE POSTMORTEM EXAMINERS COMMISSION
Chair: Benjamin Trump, M.D., Dept. of
Pathology, University of Maryland School
of Medicine

*Appointed by Secretary of Health & Mental
Hygiene:* Georges C. Benjamin, M.D.

Ex officio: John Yardley, M.D., Dept. of
Pathology, The Johns Hopkins University
School of Medicine; Peter Beilenson, M.D.,
Commissioner of Health, Baltimore City; Col.
David B. Mitchell, Secretary of State Police.

COUNTY & CITY DEPUTY MEDICAL
EXAMINERS
(appointed by State Postmortem
Examiners Commission)

ADMINISTRATION
Jerry Dziecichowicz, *Administrator*
. (410) 333-3228

AUTOPSY SERVICES
Donald G. Wright, M.D., *Deputy Chief Medical
Examiner for Autopsy Services* (410) 333-3260

STATEWIDE SERVICES
Ann Dixon, M.D., *Deputy Chief Medical
Examiner for Statewide Services*
. (410) 333-3232

TOXICOLOGY
Barry S. Levine, Ph.D., *Chief Toxicologist*
. (410) 333-3240

CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF HEALTH EFFECTS
OF FIRE
Director: John E. Smialek, M.D., Chief Medical
Examiner (410) 333-3250

ADVISORY COUNCIL
Melvyn Tockman, M.D., Ph.D., *Chair*,
1997

*Appointed by Secretary of Health & Mental
Hygiene with Senate advice & consent:*
Walter G. Berl, Ph.D., 1997; John L.
Bryan, Ed.D., 1998; Patricia Dischinger,
Ph.D., 1998; Victor H. Esch, M.D.,
F.A.C.S., 1998; Gordon Smith, M.D.,
1998; Barbara Levin, 1999; Frederick W.
Mowce, 1999.

STATE ANATOMY BOARD
Ronald S. Wade, *Director* (410) 547-1222
. fax: (410) 706-8107
Christopher B. Ruff, Ph.D., *Chair*

*Representatives of anatomy departments of
Maryland medical schools & University of Maryland
School of Dentistry:* Louis A. Benevento, Ph.D.;
Anne Hirshfield; Donald B. Newman, M.D.;
Marshall Rennels, Ph.D.; Joan T. Richtsmeier,
Ph.D.; Michael N. Sheridan, M.D.

ORIGIN & FUNCTIONS

Although the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene was created in 1969, its antecedent agencies originated in the nineteenth century. Certain functions now overseen by the Department, however, were performed even earlier: the first recorded autopsy (possibly the first in America) occurred in Maryland in 1637; regulation of surgeons' fees began in 1640; registration of births, deaths, and marriages was required in 1650; and the first official quarantine was instituted in 1694.

The many functions of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene began separately and developed at different rates, according to the State's recognition of a need to safeguard public health, the perceived urgency of that need, the potential for scientific solutions, and later, federal mandates for funding. Baltimore City usually led the way, due to the caliber of the City's medical professionals and the acuteness of urban health problems. Also, the growth of Baltimore City was paralleled by the accumulation of immense fortunes, and philanthropists often intervened to meet the urgent needs of sick, poor and insane citizens before the State assumed these responsibilities.