Division was placed under the Center for Health Statistics. In 1988, the Division was separated from Health Statistics.

The Division provides copies of certified birth, death, and marriage certificates. All births, deaths, marriages, and divorces that occur in the State are registered. Copies of birth, death and marriage records are issued to authorized persons for a fee of \$4.00 per copy (checks to be made payable to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene).

Birth and Death Records. The Division has birth and death records for Baltimore City from January 1, 1875, and for the twenty-three counties of Maryland from August 1898. The information also is available from the State Archives.

Marriage and Divorce Records. State marriage registration began on June 1, 1951, and divorce registration began in June 1961. Copies of marriage records prior to June 1951 and of all divorce records may be obtained from the Circuit Court clerk in the county where the marriage or divorce occurred, or from the State Archives.

PERSONNEL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

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The Personnel Services Administration originated as the Office of Personnel Management, and received its present name in 1988. The Administration provides personnel services and training for the Department. The Administration oversees six divisions: Administrative; Classification; Employee Relations; Employment; Recruitment and Examination; and Training Services.

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

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Public Health Services was established in 1987. The Deputy Secretary is responsible for the Office of Chief Medical Examiner and six administrations: AIDS; Alcohol and Drug Abuse; Community Health Surveillance and Laboratories; Developmental Disabilities; Local and Family Health; and Mental Hygiene.

AIDS ADMINISTRATION

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Established in 1987 as the AIDS Control Administration, the Administration received its present name in 1988. The AIDS Administration educates the public and health care professionals about Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) and the human immuno-deficiency virus (HIV); monitors the disease in Maryland; and provides services for persons with AIDS or infected with HIV. The Administration consults and coordinates its work with twenty-four local health departments. Each local health department has counseling and testing sites that offer free tests and consultations.

The Administration funds clinical activities for the diagnosis and evaluation of patients with AIDS. It also administers grants to community organizations for gay and minority outreach efforts.

The Administration works through five centers: AIDS Education; AIDS Epidemiology; AIDS Services, Planning, and Development; Professional Education and Patient Services; and Quality Assessment and Improvement.

CENTER FOR AIDS EDUCATION John P. Krick, Ph.D., *Chief* (410) 767-5019

The Center for AIDS Education also is known as the Maryland Center for AIDS-Related Educational Services (MDCARES). Created in 1987, the Center develops, implements, and oversees programs designed to interrupt transmission of the AIDS/HIV infection. Prevention efforts help both the general population and individuals and communities at high risk of AIDS/HIV disease. The Center is also responsible for the AIDS hotline.

DIVISION OF LOCAL PREVENTION SERVICES
Michael A. Ward, D.D.S., Chief
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The Division of Local Prevention Services was first formed as the Division of HIV Counseling and Testing Services. In 1996, the Division was placed under the Center for AIDS Education and received its present name.

Funded by federal, State and local government, the Division provides HIV health education and