

counseling, at no charge, to any Marylander, as well as voluntary HIV antibody testing. Efforts are made selectively to test, counsel, and refer for treatment and other services individuals who practice behaviors that put them at risk for HIV infection.

Services are provided by funding local health departments to operate 54 sites throughout Maryland for HIV counseling and testing services. All local health departments also provide programs for sexually transmitted disease. These programs offer HIV-risk assessment, counseling, and testing to their clients.

CENTER FOR AIDS EPIDEMIOLOGY

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Through case surveillance, epidemiologic investigations, and seroprevalence and other studies, the Center for AIDS Epidemiology determines the impact of the AIDS/HIV epidemic in Maryland. Data and information derived from studies are used by the Center and other organizations to design programs for prevention and health care, and support requests for federal funds.

CENTER FOR AIDS SERVICES, PLANNING, & DEVELOPMENT

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The Center for AIDS Services, Planning, and Development was established in 1989 as the Division of AIDS Services, Planning, and Development. The Division became the Center in 1994.

The Center develops resources to meet the needs of AIDS/HIV patients and analyzes cost data on the treatment of HIV. In Maryland, the Center administers the Ryan White CARE Act program, which is federally funded (P.L. 101-381). Through this and other federal programs, the Center helps support HIV services throughout the State.

CENTER FOR PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION & PATIENT SERVICES

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The Center for Professional Education and Patient Services began in 1991 as the Division of Professional Education and Health Services. The Division was formed by merging the functions of the Division of Provider Education and Training with the Division of Patient Care Services. In 1994, the Division of Professional Education and Health Services was reorganized as the Center for Professional Education and Patient Services.

The Center educates health-care professionals about HIV and treats persons who are HIV infected. The Center funds HIV diagnostic evaluation units where a person with HIV disease can be assessed by health-care professionals. Staff will consult with the patient's health-care provider to help that provider meet the patient's complex medical needs. The Center operates the *Maryland AIDS Drug Assistance Program*, which covers the cost of specified drugs for eligible persons.

CENTER FOR QUALITY ASSESSMENT & IMPROVEMENT

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The Center for Quality Assessment and Improvement was created in 1992. The Center evaluates the results of preventive care, early intervention, and treatment provided by the AIDS Administration. It develops and implements high standards of clinical performance for State and federally funded HIV and AIDS services.

ALCOHOL & DRUG ABUSE ADMINISTRATION

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The Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration started as two separate agencies: one concerned with alcoholism and the other with addiction to narcotics. The Drug Abuse Authority, formed in 1969, was succeeded in 1971 by the Drug Abuse Administration (Chapter 404, Acts of 1969; Chapter 29, Acts of 1971). The Division of Alcoholism Control of the former Mental Health Administration became the Alcoholism Control Administration in 1976 (Chapter 746, Acts of 1976). By departmental reorganization in 1987, the Drug Abuse Administration and the Alcoholism Control Administration merged into the Addictions Services Administration. In 1988, the Administration was renamed the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration (Chapter 758, Acts of 1988; Code Health—General Article, Title 8).

Functions of the Administration are carried out by four main units: Administration and Grants Management; Criminal Justice/ Policy and Planning/ Special Populations; Field Services; and Management Information/ Quality Assurance/ Office of Education and Training for Addiction Services. The Administration also is served by the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Treatment Advisory Committee.