
FIELD SERVICES DIVISION

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The Field Services Division originated as the Court Services Division. It was reorganized in 1988 as the Direct Care Services Division and restructured as the Field Services Division in 1989.

The Division provides intake, probation, and after-care for delinquent youth. Through intake services, the Division decides for each minor whether court proceedings are appropriate. The Division also recommends to the court whether adjudicated delinquents be placed on probation, in a day or residential program, or committed to the Charles H. Hickey, Jr., School. During probation and throughout the youth's stay at a residential facility or the Hickey School, the Division maintains contact with a juvenile's case manager. Youth are monitored in a similar fashion after their release.

PROGRAM SERVICES DIVISION

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In 1989, the Program Services Division was established as the Program Support Services Division. In 1990, it became the Program Services Division. The Division merged in 1992 with the Administrative Services Division to form the Administrative and Program Services Division. In 1996, administrative services were assigned to Administration, under the Deputy Secretary, and the Division resumed its former name.

The Program Services Division helps develop, implement, and monitor programs provided by private contractors to youth under the care and custody of the Department. The Division places youth in residential and nonresidential programs, coordinates substance abuse services, licenses and certifies service providers to the Department, obtains grants, and develops programs eligible for funding through federal entitlement.

Under the Division are four programs: Placement Services; Program and Contract Development; Standards and Compliance; and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services.

PLACEMENT SERVICES

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Placement Services secures placements for juveniles in residential and nonresidential programs. At area offices throughout the State, the unit's re-

source coordinators meet with case managers to assess a child's needs for education, socialization, and health services and to determine which Department program best meets these needs while protecting public safety. The unit monitors the case until the minor is accepted into a program, and the placement and other services are funded.

PROGRAM & CONTRACT DEVELOPMENT

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Program and Contract Development was created in October 1992 to deliver services efficiently from the private sector to juveniles in the custody and care of the Department.

STANDARDS & COMPLIANCE

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Standards and Compliance began as separate units for residential and nonresidential monitoring. These were combined as Residential and Nonresidential Monitoring in 1993. Later, in July 1993, the unit was renamed Program Monitoring and, in 1996, Standards and Compliance.

To ensure compliance with contracts and federal and State regulations, Standards and Compliance oversees those private firms licensed or certified by the Department to provide residential and nonresidential services for troubled youth. For each program, this office develops an annual monitoring plan. Staff then visit each site to check physical plants; conduct investigations; verify any corrective acts taken to comply with State and federal regulations; interview staff and students; and observe programs.

Residential programs are licensed by the Department every two years. On the off-year, Standards and Compliance audits each program and issues a report for each facility.

VICTOR CULLEN ACADEMY

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Opened in September 1992, Victor Cullen Academy is a secure commitment facility for delinquent boys in northwest Frederick County. The Academy is a State facility operated by a private firm under contract with the Department.

Cullen Academy treats up to 184 teenage boys who stay an average of six months. It offers intensive vocational education. A thoroughbred horse-breeding program prepares youth for employment in the State's racing industry. A six-week culinary arts class readies graduates for jobs in restaurants and hotels, and with catering firms.