

AN ACT concerning

Mental Health – State Facilities – ~~Investigation~~ Reporting of Deaths

FOR the purpose of requiring the administrative head of a State funded or operated facility to ~~immediately~~ report to certain persons any deaths of individuals occurring in the facility; requiring the sheriff, police, or chief law enforcement official in the jurisdiction in which the death occurred to make a certain report to the medical examiner; requiring the medical examiner to conduct a certain investigation under certain circumstances; ~~requiring the Director of Mental Hygiene or the Director's designee or the health officer or the health officer's designee to conduct a certain investigation; requiring the Director or the Director's designee or the health officer or the health officer's designee to inform certain persons of the results of the investigation; requiring the Director or the Director's designee or the health officer or the health officer's designee to refer the case and to report to the Secretary certain information related to the death of the individual in the individuals in a State funded or operated facility to the State's Attorney or certain other persons under certain circumstances;~~ and generally relating to the investigation reporting of deaths occurring in a State funded or operated facility.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General
Section 10-714
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1989 Replacement Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Health – General

10-714.

(A) (1) UPON THE DEATH OF AN INDIVIDUAL IN A STATE FUNDED OR OPERATED FACILITY, THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEAD OF THE FACILITY SHALL REPORT THE DEATH:

- (I) IMMEDIATELY TO:
- (I) ~~THE DIRECTOR;~~
- (II) ~~THE HEALTH OFFICER;~~

~~(III) THE SHERIFF, POLICE, OR CHIEF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL IN THE JURISDICTION IN WHICH THE DEATH OCCURRED; AND~~