

EXECUTIVE ORDERS

Economic and Employment Development, the Department of Housing and Community Development, and the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, and other appropriate State agencies as needed.

(3) The Special Secretary for Children, Youth, and Families shall chair the Subcabinet and shall be responsible for the oversight, direction, and accountability of the work of the Subcabinet.

(4) The Office of Children and Youth shall provide the primary staff support necessary for the completion of the Subcabinet duties. The Special Secretary may call upon any of the Subcabinet members to provide staff assistance as needed.

(5) The Subcabinet shall meet at least once a month.

(6) The chairperson may establish subcommittees as needed to carry out the work of the Subcabinet.

C. Duties.

(1) The Subcabinet shall have the responsibility to ensure that services to children, youth, and families are delivered in an effective, efficient, and integrated manner. The Subcabinet shall ensure that all appropriate State agencies work in a cooperative, coordinated manner in planning, budgeting, implementing, overseeing, and evaluating services to children, youth, and families.

(2) The Subcabinet's priorities shall include:

(a) Examining the current structure and organization of Maryland's system of services to children, youth, and families, to facilitate the development of:

(i) The Interagency Plan for Children with Special Needs;

(ii) Innovative funding arrangements including the sharing and pooling of financial resources in order to ensure comprehensiveness and flexibility in meeting the service needs of children, youth, and families;

(iii) An annual interagency plan and budget for services to children, youth, and families; and

(iv) Recommendations for change, if appropriate, in order to ensure access for families and children to the full range of needed services;

(b) Developing a system for sharing client information among the agencies as necessary to ensure effective and efficient service delivery;

(c) Developing a plan for reforming the foster care system;

(d) Developing a comprehensive health and social service initiative for pregnant women and at-risk infants;

(e) Developing a plan for eliminating or significantly reducing the