

DISORDERS, OTHER THAN STATISTICAL INFORMATION AND INFORMATION WHICH THE INDIVIDUAL ALLOWS TO BE RELEASED THROUGH HIS INFORMED CONSENT, BE KEPT IN CODE; AND THAT PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ACCESS TO INDIVIDUAL PATIENT DATA BE LIMITED TO DATA COMPILED WITHOUT THE INDIVIDUAL'S NAME.

814.

THE COMMISSION SHALL SUBMIT TO THE GOVERNOR AND THE LEGISLATURE ON AN ANNUAL BASIS BEGINNING JANUARY 1 OF THE FIRST YEAR FOLLOWING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SUBTITLE, AND ON EACH JANUARY 1 THEREAFTER, A REPORT SUMMARIZING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION, AND CONTAINING ANY RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNOR AND THE LEGISLATURE WHICH THE COMMISSION DEEMS NECESSARY REGARDING PROBLEMS OF HEREDITARY DISORDERS.

815.

THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE SHALL DESIGNATE SUCH PERSONNEL AS IS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE. THE SECRETARY SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR:

(A) THE OPERATION OF PROGRAMS WITHIN THE STANDARDS SET BY THE COMMISSION;

(B) THE DISBURSEMENT AND COLLECTION OF SUCH FUNDS AS ARE AVAILABLE TO THE COMMISSION;

(C) ENFORCING RULES, REGULATIONS, AND STANDARDS ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMISSION; AND

(D) KEEPING THE COMMISSION INFORMED, THROUGH ITS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, OF THE PROGRESS OF PROGRAMS AND OF ANY NEED FOR CHANGES IN RULES AND REGULATIONS. ONLY THE COMMISSION MAY MAKE RULES AND REGULATIONS.

816.

AN APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS SHALL BE MADE EACH YEAR AS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION.

Article 43

133A.

(a) For the purposes of this section:

(1) "Sickle cell anemia" shall mean the hereditary disease causing hemoglobin to crystallize within the red blood cells upon their emitting of oxygen;

(2) "Sickle cell trait" shall mean the condition caused by the presence of the inheritable gene which, if present in both parties to a marriage, shall lead to a high probability of the occurrence of sickle cell anemia in children born of that marriage;

(3) "Secretary" shall mean the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene.