

COUNTY LOCAL LAWS

COMMITTEE ACTION SHALL NOT BE DEEMED TO BE THE ACTION OR THE BOARD AND SHALL IN NO WAY BIND THE BOARD OR ITS MEMBERS.

(B) THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD MAY, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD, APPOINT ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND TASK FORCES OF CITIZENS, WITH AT LEAST ONE BOARD MEMBER SERVING THEREON, AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUB-CHAPTER. ACTION BY AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE OR TASK FORCE SHALL NOT BE DEEMED TO BE THE ACTION OF THE BOARD AND SHALL IN NO WAY BIND THE BOARD OR ITS MEMBERS.

24-28 BOARD; DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

(A) THE BOARD SHALL HAVE THE FOLLOWING PRIMARY DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE AREA OF COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH PLANNING:

(1) COLLECT, DEVELOP, EVALUATE AND PUBLICIZE DATA AND INFORMATION NECESSARY TO DETERMINE THE COUNTY'S HEALTH NEEDS, RESOURCES AND PROBLEMS.

(2) INITIATE A COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH PLAN FOR THE COUNTY TO INCLUDE, AMONG OTHER THINGS, A SET OF LONG-RANGE HEALTH GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE COUNTY, AND DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH PLAN DESIGNED TO ACHIEVE THESE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES.

(3) REVIEW ON AN ANNUAL BASIS THE COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH PLAN FOR THE COUNTY AS WELL AS THE ACTIVITIES, OPERATIONS AND BUDGET OF THE BOARD AND ITS STAFF AND FURNISH A REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS THEREON TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, AND AFTER HIS CONSIDERATION, TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

(4) ENCOURAGE ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE HEALTH AGENCIES, INSTITUTIONS, GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS PROVIDING HEALTH SERVICES TO BE AWARE OF AND TO PARTICIPATE IN THE HEALTH PLANNING PROCESS, INSURING THAT CONSUMERS OF HEALTH SERVICES ARE INCLUDED AND ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN THE HEALTH PLANNING PROCESS, AND CONDUCT AS APPROPRIATE, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND COMMUNITY FORUMS ON HEALTH-RELATED PROGRAMS AND PROPOSALS IN ORDER TO PROMOTE THE WIDEST POSSIBLE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN THE HEALTH PLANNING PROCESS.

(5) PARTICIPATE IN THE EVALUATION AND DECISION-MAKING PROCESS FOR APPROVAL OF NEW AND EXPANDED HEALTH-RELATED SERVICES AND FACILITIES IN THE COUNTY.

(6) COORDINATE AND MAINTAIN LIAISON WITH APPROPRIATE AGENCIES OF THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND WITH THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD OF THE