

(5) MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE; [[AND]]

(6) MARYLAND HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION (WITH THE INTENT THAT THEY SELECT A REPRESENTATIVE FROM SOME HOSPITAL INVOLVED IN DELIVERING HYPERTENSIVE SERVICES ON AN OUT-PATIENT BASIS)[[.]];

(7) MARYLAND NURSES ASSOCIATION[[.]];AND

(8) THE MONUMENTAL CITY MEDICAL SOCIETY.

(D) WHEN A VACANCY ON THE COMMISSION OCCURS FOR ANY REASON, THE GOVERNOR SHALL PROMPTLY APPOINT A PERSON TO SERVE THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM OF THE VACANT SEAT. THE GOVERNOR MAY EXERCISE HIS DISCRETION IN THE CHOICE OF A MEMBER TO FILL A VACANCY.

(E) THE FULL COMMISSION SHALL MEET AT LEAST TWICE EACH YEAR. IF, FOR ANY REASON, ALL 12 MEMBERS ARE NOT PRESENT AT MEETINGS OF THE COMMISSION, BUSINESS MAY BE CONDUCTED BY THE MEMBERS PRESENT. A DECISION OF THE MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS PRESENT SHALL BE A DECISION OF THE COMMISSION.

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THE COMMISSION MAY EMPLOY AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ONE ASSISTANT AND ONE SECRETARY-STENOGRAPHER. COMPENSATION FOR THESE PERSONS AND ANY OTHER PERSONNEL OF THE COMMISSION SHALL BE AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

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(A) THE COMMISSION SHALL ESTABLISH GUIDELINES FOR THE EFFECTIVE MANAGEMENT AND TREATMENT OF HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE. THE GUIDELINES SHALL RELATE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING SERVICES:

- (1) DETECTION.
- (2) CASE FINDING.
- (3) DIAGNOSIS.
- (4) DIAGNOSTIC WORK-UP.
- (5) THERAPY.
- (6) LONG TERM MANAGEMENT.

(B) THE COMMISSION SHALL INSTITUTE, SUPERVISE AND PROMOTE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR THE PUBLIC CONCERNING THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE. THE COMMISSION MAY UTILIZE EXISTING PROGRAMS AND GROUPS FOR THIS PURPOSE.