

~~provide-for-its-location-after-a-reasonable-period-of-time should--the--State--have-the-power-to-locate,construct, and operate-it.~~

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~~{a}--As-used-in-this-subtitle, the following words have the meanings indicated.~~

~~{b}--"Center"--means-a--community--adult--rehabilitation center.~~

~~{c}--"COMMISSION"---MEANS---MARYLAND---COMMISSION---ON CORRECTIONAL-STANDARDS.~~

~~{(e)} {D} "Commissioner"--means--the--Commissioner--of Correction.~~

~~{(d)} {E} "County"--includes-Baltimore-City.~~

~~{(e)} {F} "Secretary"--means--the--Secretary-of-Public Safety-and-Correctional-Services.~~

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(a) The Secretary, with the assistance and advice of the Commissioner, shall evaluate and determine the need, if any, for one or more centers in each county or multicounty region of the State. A county or multicounty region may request a completed need study from the Secretary.

(b) The standard to be used by the Secretary in making his determination is whether, and to what extent, based upon historic data and reasonable projections, there are and will be residents of the county or region convicted of crimes who can best be rehabilitated in community based facilities without substantial danger to the community.

(c) The Secretary shall consult with the governing body of the county or counties comprising a region in preparing his evaluation of need, and shall, upon determining the need, certify his determination to the respective governing bodies. The determination certified to the county governing body shall include the present and future needs over at least a ten-year period, and, where appropriate, recommendations for regional centers to serve more than one county.

(D) WHEN THE SECRETARY HAS ESTABLISHED THE NEED FOR A CENTER, THE STATE SHALL PAY 100 PERCENT OF THE COST ASSOCIATED WITH START-UP OF THE CENTER. THESE COSTS SHALL BE DETERMINED BY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SECRETARY AND THE COUNTY PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF ANY ACTIVITY RELATED TO PLANNING, ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, OR RENOVATION OF THE CENTER FOR WHICH THE COUNTY DESIRES REIMBURSEMENT. THESE COSTS MAY INCLUDE CONSULTATION FEES, PERSONNEL, EQUIPMENT, INITIAL TRAINING COSTS FOR STAFF, AND ANY OTHER SERVICE RELATED TO THE START-UP PHASE OF THE CENTER.