

ex officio members may designate a representative to act on his behalf on the Council. [One] AT LEAST ONE member from the general public shall be a provider of treatment services.

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Any exercise of its powers and duties by the Administration shall be made subject to the approval of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene. The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene may in his discretion exercise or perform any power, duty, responsibility or function which the Drug Abuse Administration is authorized to perform under the provisions of this article or under any other provisions of law.

The Administration shall:

(c) Direct and carry on basic, clinical, epidemiological, social science and statistical research in drug abuse either individually or in conjunction with other agencies, public or private and, within the amount made available by appropriation [therefor], develop pilot programs. In pursuance of the foregoing and notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the Administration is empowered to establish, direct and carry on experimental pilot clinic programs for the treatment of drug addiction and of the condition of drug [addicts] ABUSERS, which programs may include the administration, under medical supervision and control, of maintenance dosages of addicting drugs.

(d) Provide education and training in prevention, diagnosis, treatment, rehabilitation and control of drug [addiction] ABUSE for medical students, physicians, nurses, social workers and others with responsibilities for drug [addicts] ABUSERS either alone or in conjunction with other agencies, public or private.

(i) Have the power to establish and operate OR CONTRACT FOR ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF rehabilitation centers and such other facilities as the Administration may deem necessary or desirable for the care, custody, treatment, aftercare and rehabilitation of drug [addicts] ABUSERS certified to the care and custody of the Administration pursuant to the provisions of this article.

(j) Designate, or establish, maintain and operate, medical examination or other facilities for alleged drug [addicts] ABUSERS for the purpose of determining whether such persons are drug [addicts] ABUSERS and for the purpose of providing care and custody of alleged drug [addicts] ABUSERS with respect to whom court proceedings are pending.

(l) Have the power to assign or transfer any drug [addict] ABUSER certified to its care and custody pursuant to this article to the facilities or supervision of any department or agency of the State, or to any person,

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