

may call public conferences of health officers; or may send a delegate to any conference of [local, State or national] health officers.

31A.

(a) (2) "Health officer" means the Baltimore City Commissioner of health or the [county] health officer for the county in which a laboratory is located.

97.

The [State Board] SECRETARY of Health AND MENTAL HYGIENE shall prepare and furnish the [local] health officers, THE BALTIMORE CITY COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH, or the physician attending any person infected with tuberculosis, upon due requisition, such printed instructions and precautions and such supplies and materials as [it] THE SECRETARY shall deem necessary for the prevention of the spread of the disease.

98.

Whenever a licensed practitioner of medicine shall report, in writing, to [the deputy State] A health officer or the Commissioner of Health of Baltimore City that a person having, or suspected of having tuberculosis in a communicable stage is so conducting himself or herself in public places, streets, shops, inns, taverns or public conveyances, that others are exposed to infection, or the [deputy State] health officer or the Commissioner of Health of Baltimore City has knowledge that such is the case, [said deputy State] THE health officer or the Commissioner of Health of Baltimore City may make or cause to be made such examination as he deems necessary of the person about which complaint is made, to ascertain if such person actually has tuberculosis in a communicable stage. If such findings are positive, the [deputy State] health officer or the Commissioner of Health of Baltimore City may order such person removed to a health center for the treatment of tuberculosis and such person shall remain in such institution until declared in such condition that his or her discharge from such health center will not be dangerous to the community in which he or she may live. If any person ordered removed to any health center for the treatment of tuberculosis shall refuse to comply, or having been admitted shall conduct himself or herself in a disorderly manner or leave such institution before being properly discharged, he or she shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof before a circuit court, shall be committed to a penal institution having facilities for the treatment of tuberculosis until considered by the [State Department of Health] SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE or the Health Department of Baltimore City in such a condition that such person is no longer dangerous to the health of the community. Nothing in this section shall be construed or operate to empower or authorize the [deputy State] health