

(1) IF THE PROGRAM IS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT, THE FUNDS SHALL BE USED AS PAYMENTS FOR ATTENDANT CARE SERVICES AND NOT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS; OR

(2) IF THE DEPARTMENT ENTERS INTO A CONTRACT WITH A PRIVATE ORGANIZATION, THE PRIVATE ORGANIZATION MAY USE THE FUNDS AS PAYMENTS FOR ATTENDANT CARE SERVICES AND FOR REASONABLE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS. THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS ALLOWED UNDER THE CONTRACT SHALL BE NEGOTIATED AND APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR.

~~(B)~~ (C) THIS SUBTITLE DOES NOT PREVENT APPROPRIATION OF ADDITIONAL FUNDS BY ANY COUNTY TO BE USED AS ATTENDANT CARE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.

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(A) NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1, 1982, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CREATE AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE TO THE DEPARTMENT IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF:

(1) THE SLIDING PAYMENT SCALE; AND

(2) RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR AND A PROGRESS REPORT ON THE ATTENDANT CARE PROGRAM.

(B) THE COMMITTEE SHALL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING:

(1) 1 REPRESENTATIVE EACH FROM:

(I) THE DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION;

(II) THE MEDICAID PERSONAL CARE PROGRAM, POLICY ADMINISTRATION, OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE;

(III) THE NONRETARDED DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED PROGRAM DIVISION, MENTAL RETARDATION/DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ADMINISTRATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE;

(IV) THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL;

(V) THE GOVERNOR'S COMMITTEE ON EMPLOYMENT OF THE HANDICAPPED;

(VI) THE MARYLAND PLANNING COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES; AND

(2) AT LEAST 2 DISABLED INDIVIDUALS; AND

(3) 2 REPRESENTATIVES FROM ADVOCACY ORGANIZATIONS FOR DISABLED INDIVIDUALS.