

(II) MAKES RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE APPROPRIATE HEALTH OFFICIALS ON THESE POLICIES AND PROGRAMS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from the third paragraph of former Article 2C, § 502(a).

In item (2) of this section, the word "statute" is substituted for "law", to give effect to the apparent intent of former Article 2C, § 502(a) that these councils have a degree of permanence. This substitution is based on the word "ordinance", which otherwise would be unnecessary.

In item (3) of this section, "only responsibilities" is substituted for "sole responsibility" to reflect that making recommendations also is a responsibility.

Defined term: "County" § 1-101

8-312. COUNTY ADVISORY COUNCILS REQUIRED.

(A) IN GENERAL.

EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN § 8-311 OF THIS SUBTITLE AND SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE GOVERNING BODY OF EACH COUNTY SHALL ESTABLISH AN ALCOHOLISM ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR THE COUNTY.

(B) INTERCOUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL.

THE GOVERNING BODIES OF TWO OR MORE COUNTIES MAY ESTABLISH, BY AGREEMENT, AN INTERCOUNTY ALCOHOLISM ADVISORY COUNCIL IF:

(1) THE POPULATION OF ONE OF THE COUNTIES IS TOO SMALL TO WARRANT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ALCOHOLISM CONTROL PROGRAM FOR THAT COUNTY; AND

(2) THE DIRECTOR CONSENTS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from the first clause of the first sentence of the first paragraph and the entire second paragraph of former Article 2C, § 502(a).

In subsection (a) of this section, the former reference to Baltimore City is deleted as unnecessary in light of the use of the defined term "county".