

Health as required in Article 43, Section 566 of this Code as amended from time to time] UNDER § 19-318 OF THE HEALTH - GENERAL ARTICLE;

(10) To integrate its facilities with, accept funds from, and cooperate with the [State Board] SECRETARY of Health and Mental Hygiene in any facet or facets of its operations insofar as deemed advisable by this board.

[(d)] (E) The board shall elect one of its members to serve as chairman for any period it may designate. It shall hold such meetings as may be necessary for the proper conduct of its business, not, however, less frequently than once per month. It shall adopt, subject to the terms of this section, such rules as are necessary for the internal regulation of the board.

[(e)] (F) The activities of the board shall be supported insofar as possible by citizen support, voluntary contributions, fees and charges, payments from the State and federal government. The county commissioners or county council are authorized to make annual appropriations in support of the operations of the citizens nursing home board of the county for the objective of maintaining an adequate level of medical and nursing care for the aged, convalescent, and chronically ill citizens of the county. In further support of the objectives of this section the county commissioners or county council may make appropriations for land acquisition and capital improvements or borrow funds for these purposes and issue individual notes, bonds or other evidences of indebtedness.

[(f)] (G) The board shall annually report their activities to the county commissioners or county council during the preceding year, together with recommendations or requests they deem appropriate to achieve the objectives and purposes of this section.

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(a) The Board of County Commissioners of Somerset County shall cooperate within the terms of this section and subtitle for the construction of a nursing home hospital and related hospital facilities by contributions up to two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00) of the cost of this nursing home hospital and hospital facilities. The nursing home hospital so constructed shall be provided in the Town of Crisfield as a sixty-bed nursing home hospital adjoining McCready Hospital in that town, to be known as the Alice Byrd Tawes Nursing Home and to be on the same grounds as McCready Hospital, and to have a corridor connecting therewith. For this purpose the County Commissioners of Somerset County shall levy or appropriate from the general funds of the county up to a maximum of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00); or they may (within the limits of any