

systems agency" is substituted for "joint comprehensive health planning agency", to conform to the terminology elsewhere in Part I of this subtitle. Therefore, former Article 43, § 874(1), which defined "Agency" to mean a joint comprehensive health planning agency, is deleted as unnecessary.

In subsection (a)(2) of this section, the reference to the "United States Secretary of Health and Human Services" is substituted for the reference to the "Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare", to conform to current terminology.

Also in subsection (a)(2) of this section, the former reference to consultation with the Governor is deleted as unnecessary in light of § 19-109 of this subtitle and the Federal Act.

In subsection (b) of this section, the phrase "member{s} of the governing" bodies is substituted for "elected official{s}", to incorporate the substance of former Article 43, § 874(3), which defined "{e}lected representative" as a "member of the governing body of a county". This substitution is based on the apparent intent of defining "elected representative", since that term did not appear in former Article 43, §§ 871 through 877, although defined for purposes of those sections.

In subsection (c)(3) of this section, the former word "debts" is deleted as unnecessary in light of the broad word "obligations".

In subsection (c)(4) of this section, the former reference to "purchase or in any other manner, and take, receive, own" is deleted as unnecessary in light of the broad references to "acquire" and "hold".

In subsection (c)(7) of this section, the former limitation "not inconsistent with law ..." is deleted as unnecessary.

Former Article 43, §§ 875(a) and 876(7), which delineated the purposes and duties of the body created under this section, are deleted as misleading since the purposes and duties are not unique to the health systems agencies created by governing bodies under this section, but apply to all health systems agencies. See 42 U.S.C. § 3001-2.

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