

~~(B) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL BE A MERIT EMPLOYEE OF THE DEPARTMENT.~~

~~(C) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IS ENTITLED TO THE SALARY PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.~~

~~4- 13-2304.~~

(A) THE COMMISSION:

(1) SHALL DEVELOP STRATEGIES AND PROGRAMS, INCLUDING COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS, DESIGNED TO:

(I) RAISE PUBLIC AWARENESS OF MEN'S HEALTH ISSUES, INCLUDING HEALTH PROBLEMS THAT DISPROPORTIONATELY AFFECT MEN AND THE IMPORTANCE OF PATERNAL INFLUENCE IN THE FAMILY;

(II) ENCOURAGE THE PARTICIPATION OF MEN IN HEALTHY BEHAVIORS, ~~ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT,~~ AND FAMILY INVOLVEMENT; ~~AND~~

(III) EDUCATE MARYLAND MEN ON THE BENEFITS OF REGULAR PHYSICIAN CHECKUPS, EARLY DETECTION AND PREVENTIVE HEALTH SCREENING TESTS, AND HEALTHY LIFESTYLE PRACTICES; ~~AND~~

(IV) REDUCE OR ELIMINATE DISPARITIES IN MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY FOR SPECIFIC DISEASES AMONG RACIAL AND ETHNIC MINORITIES AND UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS;

(2) SHALL REVIEW THE HEALTH STATUS OF MEN IN THE STATE AND FOCUS ON HEALTH OUTCOMES OF MEN FOR SPECIFIC DISEASES, INCLUDING PROSTATE AND TESTICULAR CANCER, ORAL CANCER, CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE, DEPRESSION, AND DIABETES;

(3) SHALL ORGANIZE COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS TO IDENTIFY ISSUES AFFECTING MEN'S HEALTH AND FAMILY INVOLVEMENT;

(4) SHALL MONITOR STATE AND FEDERAL POLICY AND LEGISLATION THAT MAY AFFECT THE AREAS OF MEN'S HEALTH AND FAMILY INVOLVEMENT; AND

(5) SHALL RECOMMEND ASSISTANCE, SERVICES, AND POLICY CHANGES THAT WILL FURTHER THE GOALS OF THE COMMISSION.

(B) THE COMMISSION SHALL CONSIDER POPULATION DIVERSITY WHEN CARRYING OUT THE DUTIES SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION.

~~5- 13-2305.~~

(A) ~~(+)~~ THE COMMISSION, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE SECRETARY, MAY ACCEPT:

~~(+)~~ (1) FEDERAL FUNDS GRANTED BY CONGRESS OR EXECUTIVE ORDER FOR ALL OR ANY OF THE PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE; AND