

~~(C) THE GOVERNOR MAY REMOVE A MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR INCOMPETENCE OR MISCONDUCT.~~

~~18-1004.~~

~~FROM AMONG THE MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT A CHAIR.~~

~~18-1005.~~

~~(A) A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS SERVING ON THE ADVISORY COUNCIL REPRESENTS A QUORUM TO CONDUCT BUSINESS.~~

~~(B) A MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL:~~

~~(1) MAY NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION, BUT~~

~~(2) IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS, AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.~~

~~(C) THE ADVISORY COUNCIL SHALL MEET AT LEAST FOUR TIMES A YEAR, AT THE TIMES AND PLACES THAT IT DETERMINES.~~

~~18-1006.~~

~~THE PURPOSE OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL SHALL BE TO:~~

~~(1) REVIEW AND RECOMMEND CHANGES TO THE "MARYLAND HEPATITIS C PREVENTION AND CONTROL PLAN";~~

~~(2) SOLICIT ANY FUNDS OR GRANTS FROM ANY FEDERAL, LOCAL, PRIVATE, OR OTHER SOURCE TO IMPLEMENT THE "MARYLAND HEPATITIS C PREVENTION AND CONTROL PLAN";~~

~~(3) COORDINATE HEPATITIS C INITIATIVES IN THE DEPARTMENT, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONS, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS; AND~~

~~(4) REVIEW AND RECOMMEND INITIATIVES TO PROMOTE PATIENT ADVOCACY AND EDUCATION, PHYSICIAN OUTREACH, AND AWARENESS OF HCV.~~

~~18-1007.~~

~~ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2007, AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER, THE ADVISORY COUNCIL SHALL REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE SENATE EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, AND THE HOUSE HEALTH AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE, ON:~~

~~(1) THE ADVISORY COUNCIL'S RECOMMENDATIONS; AND~~

~~(2) THE COORDINATION OF HEPATITIS C INITIATIVES IN THE VARIOUS STATE AGENCIES.~~