

(5) Subject to the limitations of this subtitle, exercise any other power that is reasonably necessary to carry out the purposes of this subtitle.

(b) The Commission shall have timely access to information from the Executive Branch required to fulfill the responsibilities of the Commission under this subtitle, including information from the Developmental Disabilities Administration and the Mental Hygiene Administration.

13-808.

(a) The power of the Secretary over plans, proposals, and projects of units in the Department does not include the power to disapprove or modify a decision or determination that the Commission makes under authority specifically designated to the Commission by law.

(b) The power of the Secretary to transfer by rule, regulation, or written directive any staff, function, or funds of units in the Department does not apply to any staff, function, or funds of the Commission.

13-809.

On or before October 1 of each year, the Commission shall issue a report to the Governor, the Secretary, and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly that:

(1) Describes its findings regarding:

(i) The relationship of changes in wages paid by providers to changes in rates paid by the Department;

(ii) The financial condition of providers and the ability of providers to operate on a solvent basis in the delivery of effective and efficient services that are in the public interest;

(iii) The incentives and disincentives incorporated in the rate setting methodologies utilized and proposed by the Mental Hygiene Administration and the Developmental Disabilities Administration and how the methodologies might be improved;

(iv) How incentives to provide quality of care can be built into a rate setting methodology; and

(v) The recommended methodologies for the calculation of rate update factors and the rate update factors recommended for the next succeeding fiscal year.

(2) Recommends the need for any formal executive, judicial, or legislative action;

(3) Describes issues in need of future study by the Commission; and

(4) Discusses any other matter that relates to the purposes of the Commission under this subtitle.