

Regional Institute for Children and Adolescents -  
Comparability

FOR the purpose of requiring that the Regional Institutes for Children and Adolescents be comparable in programs and facilities; repealing the requirement that the Prince George's County Institute be comparable to the Montgomery County Institute; prohibiting the reduction of the level of State funding or number of authorized positions to the Regional Institute for Children and Adolescents in order to attain comparability; and requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to report on comparability to the Governor and General Assembly.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General  
Section 10-406(c)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1982 Volume and 1983 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Health - General  
Section 10-406.1  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1982 Volume and 1983 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Health - General

10-406.

(c) (1) The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall provide for a Regional Institute for Children and Adolescents in Prince George's County by July 1, 1983. [This Regional Institute shall be comparable to the program operating at the Regional Institute for Children and Adolescents in Montgomery County.]

(2) The Regional Institute is a residential center for severely emotionally disturbed children and adolescents.

(3) The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall provide residential and day treatment programs for children and adolescents from Prince George's County.

(i) The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall offer to contract the education program to the local educational agency. The costs of the contract shall be determined by using the same per pupil costs as is used in the