

(c) (1) Whenever a person is detained in or sentenced to a county jail, detention center, or county agency operating the jail or detention center, the judge ordering the confinement, or if that judge is unable to act, then any judge of the committing court at any time during the period of confinement may approve the transfer of that person to a center provided that the center director has recommended to the court that the person be placed in the center based on locally established selection procedures for the center.

(2) After a person enters a center, the judge ordering the confinement, or if that judge is unable to act, any judge of the committing court may order the release of the person from custody if the center's director makes the recommendation based on a report of the person's performance in the program.

(3) The center director may revoke a person's participation in the center if the person violates the terms or conditions of the center. Based on the center director's report to the court showing cause for revocation, the judge of the committing court may designate the Maryland Division of Correction as the agency of custody provided the remaining term of the person's confinement exceeds 6 months.

(d) The director shall consult with and generally inform the community advisory board periodically with respect to the persons placed in the center.

(E) IN CECIL COUNTY, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION IN THIS SECTION:

(1) THE COMMISSIONER MAY PLACE A PERSON IN --A-- THE CENTER IF THE PERSON:

(I) HAS BEEN COMMITTED BY THE COURT TO THE CUSTODY OF THE COMMISSIONER;

(II) IS LEGALLY A RESIDENT OF CECIL COUNTY;

(III) HAS LESS THAN 6 MONTHS REMAINING ON THE SENTENCE, OR HAS LESS THAN 6 MONTHS REMAINING UNTIL A DETERMINED PAROLE DATE, OR HAS A SENTENCE OF 3-YEARS 18 MONTHS OR LESS; AND

(IV) HAS BEEN SCREENED BY A CENTER STAFF MEMBER AND AFTER REVIEW OF THE SCREENING DATA, THE CENTER DIRECTOR APPROVES THE TRANSFER BASED UPON SCREENING STANDARDS AGREED TO BY THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD, THE CENTER DIRECTOR, AND THE COMMISSIONER. THE SCREENING STANDARDS SHALL INCLUDE A PRESENTENCE INVESTIGATION REPORT IF AVAILABLE AND A COMPLETE RECORD OF PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS; AND

(2) THE COURT MAY RECOMMEND THAT A PERSON BE PLACED IN A CENTER.