

(5) The Special Secretary of the Office for Children, Youth, and Families or the Special Secretary's designee; and

(6) The Secretary of the Department of Juvenile Services or the Secretary's designee.

16.

The Council shall:

(1) Establish a local coordinating council for residential placement of [handicapped] children WITH DISABILITIES in each county, and Baltimore City, in the State;

(2) Develop procedures for the operation of local coordinating councils;

(3) Periodically review the residential placement decision procedures of the local coordinating councils FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES;

(4) Receive and review recommendations for the individual placement of [handicapped] children WITH DISABILITIES in residential programs submitted by the local coordinating councils;

(5) Assure that the local coordinating councils consider all alternatives for the provision of services to [handicapped] children WITH DISABILITIES and their families in the community;

(6) Plan and coordinate with the local coordinating councils concerning the adequate provision of multiple agency services to [handicapped] children WITH DISABILITIES requiring residential placement;

(7) In cooperation with the local coordinating councils, monitor the services being provided to children placed in residential programs;

(8) Establish and maintain a multiple agency information system to assure agency accountability and provide State service planning capability;

(9) Coordinate such evaluations of residential facilities for [handicapped] children WITH DISABILITIES as are required by statute; and

(10) Make recommendations to the appropriate secretary on the development of regulations to carry out the provisions of this subtitle.

19.

(a) The Council and the local coordinating councils shall develop and implement plans of care for the residential placement of [handicapped] children WITH DISABILITIES in the State.

(b) A local coordinating council shall:

(1) Accept placement referrals from the agencies represented on the local coordinating council;