

[(i)] (H) "Local health planning agency" means a body that the ~~{Commission}~~ SECRETARY designates to perform health planning and development functions for a health service area.

19-115.

(A) IN ADDITION TO THE DUTIES SET FORTH ELSEWHERE IN THIS SUBTITLE, IN THIS PART II OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE COMMISSION SHALL:

(1) ACT AS THE STATE AGENCY TO REPRESENT THE STATE UNDER TITLE VI OF THE FEDERAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT; AND

(2) PERIODICALLY PARTICIPATE IN OR PERFORM ANALYSES AND STUDIES THAT RELATE TO:

(I) ADEQUACY OF SERVICES AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE POPULATION;

(II) DISTRIBUTION OF HEALTH CARE RESOURCES;

(III) ALLOCATION OF HEALTH CARE RESOURCES;

(IV) COSTS OF HEALTH CARE IN RELATIONSHIP TO AVAILABLE FINANCIAL RESOURCES; OR

(V) ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE MATTER.

(B) IN ADDITION TO THE DUTIES SET FORTH ELSEWHERE IN THIS PART II OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE GOVERNOR SHALL DIRECT, AS NECESSARY, A STATE OFFICER OR AGENCY TO COOPERATE IN CARRYING OUT THE FUNCTIONS OF THE COMMISSION.

(C) THIS STATE RECOGNIZES THE FEDERAL ACT AND ANY AMENDMENT TO THE FEDERAL ACT THAT DOES NOT REQUIRE STATE LEGISLATION TO BE EFFECTIVE. HOWEVER, IF THE FEDERAL ACT IS REPEALED OR EXPIRES, THIS PART II OF THIS SUBTITLE REMAINS IN EFFECT.

19-116.

(A) (1) THE SECRETARY SHALL PROVIDE FOR A STUDY OF SYSTEMS CAPACITY IN HEALTH SERVICES.

(2) THE STUDY SHALL:

(I) DETERMINE FOR ALL HEALTH DELIVERY FACILITIES AND SETTINGS WHERE CAPACITY SHOULD BE INCREASED OR DECREASED TO BETTER MEET THE NEEDS OF THE POPULATION;

(II) EXAMINE AND DESCRIBE THE IMPLEMENTATION METHODS AND TOOLS BY WHICH CAPACITY SHOULD BE ALTERED TO BETTER MEET THE NEEDS; AND

(III) ASSESS THE IMPACT OF THOSE METHODS AND TOOLS ON THE COMMUNITIES AND HEALTH CARE DELIVERY SYSTEM.