

(C) THE STATE BOARD OR ITS DESIGNEE SHALL HOLD IN-PERSON OR ELECTRONIC COMMUNITY FORUMS THAT:

(1) PROVIDE FOR PUBLIC OUTREACH AND COMMENT; AND

(2) ~~REPORT THE RESULTS OF CHILD WELFARE ACCOUNTABILITY ACTIVITIES PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBTITLE 13 OF THIS TITLE~~ FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STATE BOARD, THE LOCAL CITIZEN REVIEW PANEL, IF ANY, AND THE LOCAL BOARDS.

[(b)] (D) The State Board may:

(1) by a majority vote of its members add up to four members with expertise in the prevention and treatment of child abuse and neglect for the purpose of performing its duties under this section; and

(2) to assist the State Board in its reviews of specific cases, designate:

(i) local teams composed of members of local boards of out-of-home [placement] CARE of children and staff; or

(ii) local citizens review panels established under § 5-539.2 of this subtitle.

[(c)] (E) In consultation with local citizens review panels and the State Council on Child Abuse and Neglect, the State Board shall develop protocols that govern the scope of activities of local citizens review panels to reflect the provisions of the federal Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (42 U.S.C. § 5101 et seq.).

[(d)] (F) The State Board shall coordinate its activities under this section with the State Council on Child Abuse and Neglect, **THE STATE CHILD FATALITY REVIEW TEAM**, local citizens review panels, and the **LOCAL** child fatality review teams in order to avoid unnecessary duplication of effort.

[(e)] (G) (1) The State Board shall [annually] **SUBMIT, SUBJECT TO § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE SECRETARY** ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1 OF EACH YEAR AND prepare and make available to the public a report containing a summary of its activities, **FINDINGS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS** under this section.

(2) **THE STATE BOARD MAY COMBINE THE REPORTS REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION AND § 5-539 OF THIS SUBTITLE.**