

(II) THE BALTIMORE CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT SHALL BE LIABLE FOR THE UNAUTHORIZED RELEASE OF INFORMATION PROVIDED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

(3) WITHIN 180 DAYS AFTER THE BALTIMORE CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT RECEIVES A CONFIDENTIAL RESEARCH RECORD UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE BALTIMORE CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT DETAILING THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE CONFIDENTIAL RECORD WAS USED.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 83C, § 2-115(a), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), and (h).

Throughout this section, references to a "confidential research record" are substituted for the former references to a "confidential record" to avoid confusion with confidential case records.

In subsection (b) of this section, the former conditions under which records were required to remain in the custody and control of the Department are deleted as unnecessary in light of the definition of "confidential research record".

In subsection (d) of this section, the reference to the research or study project "for which it was assembled or obtained" is substituted for the former reference to the research or study "project" for consistency within this section.

Defined terms: "Department" § 9-101

"Person" § 1-101

"Secretary" § 9-101

#### 9-220. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT UNIT.

THE DEPARTMENT SHALL HAVE A UNIT FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT THAT SHALL:

(1) COMPILE ACCURATE STATISTICS AND RELIABLE INFORMATION ON ALL ASPECTS OF THE JUVENILE PROGRAM OF THE STATE;

(2) MONITOR CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE FIELD OF JUVENILE SERVICES;

(3) ASSESS EXISTING PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING YOUTH SERVICES BUREAUS;

(4) HELP DEVELOP NEW OR IMPROVED MEANS, INCLUDING GREATER UTILIZATION OF YOUTH SERVICES BUREAUS UNDER § 9-233 OF THIS SUBTITLE, TO PREVENT JUVENILE OFFENSES AND CONTROL AND TREAT JUVENILE OFFENDERS;

(5) IF NECESSARY, INITIATE STUDIES TO HELP THE SECRETARY IN GENERAL PLANNING AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT FOR THE DEPARTMENT; AND