

(4) Advise the Secretary as to the need for rules, regulations, and standards for the detection and management of hereditary and congenital disorders;

(5) Participate actively in the development of the rules and regulations adopted by the Department; and

(6) Assist the Department in prioritizing its efforts.

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(b) (1) Before the Department adopts a rule, regulation, or standard, the Department shall consult:

(i) The public, especially communities and groups who particularly are affected by hereditary and congenital disorders programs;

(ii) Where appropriate, experts in the medical, psychological, ethical, social, and economic effects of programs for the detection and management of hereditary and congenital disorders; and

(iii) The [Commission] ADVISORY COUNCIL.

(2) Before the Department adopts a rule, regulation, or standard, the Department shall consider:

(i) The incidence of each hereditary or congenital disorder; and

(ii) The cost of detection and management of each hereditary or congenital disorder.

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The Secretary:

(1) Is responsible for the operation of hereditary and congenital disorders programs within the rules, regulations, and standards that the Department adopts;

(2) Shall disburse and collect any funds available to the [Commission or the] Department;

(3) Shall enforce the rules, regulations, and standards that the Department adopts; and

(4) [Through the Executive Director, shall] SHALL keep the [Commission] ADVISORY COUNCIL informed of:

(i) The progress of hereditary and congenital disorders programs; and

(ii) Any need for a change in the Department's rules, regulations, and standards.