

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Family Law

Section 14-202 and 14-305

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1984 Volume and 1991 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Family Law

14-202.

(a) The adult protective services program shall include:

(1) intake and investigative services including, if appropriate, medical, social, and psychiatric evaluation;

(2) planning for the needs of the recipient of services;

(3) ASSISTANCE TO LOCATE, APPLY FOR, AND EFFECTIVELY USE home care, day care, chore services, transportation, counseling, emergency arrangements, and other health and social services;

(4) cooperation with the courts, including provision of any necessary recommendations, reports, or petitions;

(5) [legal assistance, including] counsel to represent any indigent recipient of services in any protective proceeding or any review board hearing conducted under Subtitle 3 or Subtitle 4 of this title, AND ASSISTANCE TO LOCATE, APPLY FOR, AND EFFECTIVELY USE OTHER LEGAL ASSISTANCE; and

(6) notification of and participation by the State Director on Aging or the director of the local office on aging, as appropriate, as a party in any protective proceeding or review board hearing relating to an individual who is 65 years old or older.

(b) For adults 65 years old and over, the services of the protective services program shall be coordinated with the State or local office on aging as appropriate.

14-305.

Based on the investigation under this subtitle, the local department shall:

(1) render OR ASSIST A VULNERABLE ADULT TO RECEIVE the appropriate services in the best interests of the vulnerable adult under the program of adult protective services;

(2) as appropriate, involve the local office on aging;