

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, established by the General Assembly of 1929, administers the Federal Civilian Rehabilitation Act, and the funds provided by it, within the State of Maryland. The Division provides vocational rehabilitation and placement service to handicapped persons. Home teaching services are provided to all blind citizens of the State, and a register of the blind is maintained by the Division. Under the Social Security Law, all cases applying to the Bureau of Old Age and Survivors Insurance for disability determinations are required to be referred to this Division for possible rehabilitation service. District offices are located in Baltimore, Rockville, Salisbury, Hagerstown, Annapolis and Towson, with branch offices in Chestertown, Cumberland, Easton, Frederick, La Plata, Hyattsville, Ellicott City, Elkton, Bel Air, and Westminster (Code 1957, 1965 Repl. Vol., 1969 Supp., Art. 77, secs. 134-138). Special units are located in The Johns Hopkins Hospital, University of Maryland Hospital, and Baltimore City Hospital, in addition to Crownsville, Rosewood, Spring Grove, Springfield, and Eastern Shore State Hospitals. In cooperation with the Department of Correctional Services, units have been established at the Maryland Correctional Training Center and the Maryland Penitentiary.

State Advisory Committee on Vocational Education

Henry B. Kimmey, Chairman, 1970

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The State Board of Education originally appointed the members of the State Advisory Committee on Vocational Education in 1965 under the provisions of Public Law 82-210. The Governor reconstituted the Committee in 1969 under the provisions of Public Law 90-576. The Committee is to study the needs of vocational education, to evaluate vocational education programs, services and activities, and to make recommendations to the State Board of Education and to the National Advisory Council on Vocational and Technical Education concerning the improvements and expansion of vocational education programs, services, and activities.

Division of Vocational Education

The Division of Vocational Education provides leadership in planning and supervising the vocational curricula in the public schools in the areas of agriculture, distributive education, home economics, technical education, health occupations, trades and industry, business and office education, as well as in the nonvocational program of industrial arts. This Division also administers the training programs authorized under the Manpower Development and Training Act and the Area Redevelopment Act. Adult vocational education, teacher training programs, and industrial training are also administered by this Division. The Federal funds granted to the State for these purposes are allocated through the Division (Code 1957, 1965 Repl. Vol., 1969 Supp., Art. 77, sec. 133).