

OFFICE OF EPIDEMIOLOGY & DISEASE
CONTROL

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The Office of Epidemiology and Disease Control works to control all communicable diseases affecting people in Maryland. Through the Epidemiology and Disease Control Program, the Office strives to contain hard-to-control diseases, such as hepatitis, influenza, sexually-transmitted diseases, and rabies. The Office also works to control acute communicable diseases, tuberculosis, nosocomial infections, and animal-borne diseases transmittable to humans. In addition, the Office oversees health programs for refugees and migrants.

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Formerly the Office of Food and Product Health, the Office of Food Protection and Consumer Health Services received its present name in 1988. By eliminating or minimizing exposure to or consumption of unsafe commodities and substances, the Office prevents disease, disability, and death. The Office controls the manufacture, distribution, and sale of milk, food, and consumer products. In addition, the Office establishes and enforces regulations regarding migratory labor camps, pools, mobile home parks, campgrounds, youth camps, and outdoor music festivals.

The Office is aided by the Youth Camp Safety Advisory Council.

YOUTH CAMP SAFETY ADVISORY COUNCIL

Charlotte R. Blum, *Chairperson*, 1991

Appointed by Governor with advice of Secretary of Health & Mental Hygiene and Senate advice & consent: Stephen Eller, 1991; Barbara Hesse, 1991; Shirley L. Shor, 1991; Siegfried Gerstung, 1992; Richard B. Isaac, 1992; Julian W. Lewis, 1992; Cecelia E. Alexander, 1993; G. Ralph Gorrell, 1993; Sandra M. King-Shaw, 1993; David L. Resh, Jr., 1993.

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The Youth Camp Safety Advisory Council was established in 1986 (Chapter 116, Acts of 1986).

The Council helps the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene develop and review regulations for certifying youth camps. These regulations cover safety procedures, sanitation, medical services, water supplies, sewage disposal, refuse collection and disposal, fire and safety standards, personnel screening procedures, and reporting systems for fatalities, serious illnesses or accidents. All youth camps must comply with these regulations.

Annually, the Council reports to the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene on the number of youth camps, facilities in each county, and campers.

The Council consists of eleven members appointed to three-year terms by the Governor with the advice of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene and Senate advice and consent. Members include a representative of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; a camping leader with professional experience who does not own or manage a youth camp; an owner or manager of a nonprofit youth camp; an owner or manager of a youth camp operating for profit; an owner or manager of a youth camp accredited by the American Camping Association; and an owner or manager of a youth camp not accredited by the Association. The Council also includes one public member; two members from local health departments from two counties; and two members from national camping organizations, such as Scouting and 4-H Clubs (Code Health—General Article, secs. 14-401 through 14-411).

OFFICE OF DRUG CONTROL

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Formerly under the Office of Licensing and Certification, the Division of Drug Control was reorganized in 1987 as the Office of Drug Control and placed under the Community Health Surveillance and Laboratories Administration. The Office enforces provisions of the Controlled Dangerous Substance Act and ensures the availability of drugs for legitimate medical and scientific purposes while working to prevent drug abuse (Code 1957, Art. 27, secs. 276-302). Office programs primarily focus on physicians, dentists, veterinarians, pharmacists, manufacturers, distributors, nonpharmacy establishments, and pharmacies.

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Formerly the Laboratories Administration, the Laboratories Office became part of the Community Health Surveillance and Laboratories Administration.