

Center for AIDS Epidemiology determines the impact of the AIDS/HIV epidemic in Maryland. Data and information derived from studies are used by the Center to design programs for prevention and health care.

*CENTER FOR AIDS EDUCATION*

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The Center for AIDS Education is also known as the Maryland Center for AIDS-Related Educational Services (MDCARES). Created in 1987, the Center develops, implements, and oversees programs designed to interrupt transmission of the AIDS/HIV infection. Prevention efforts help both the general population and individuals and communities at particular risk of AIDS/HIV disease.

*DIVISION OF HIV COUNSELING  
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Formerly under Health Services, the Division of HIV Counseling and Testing Services was created in 1989.

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**ALCOHOL & DRUG ABUSE  
ADMINISTRATION**

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The Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration originated as two separate agencies: one concerned with addiction to alcohol and the other with addiction to narcotics. The Drug Abuse Authority, formed in 1969, was succeeded in 1971 by the Drug Abuse Administration (Chapter 404, Acts of 1969; Chapter 29, Acts of 1971). The Division of Alcoholism Control of the former Mental Health Administration became the Alcoholism Control Administration in 1976 (Chapter 746, Acts of 1976). By departmental reorganization in 1987, the Drug Abuse Administration and the Alcoholism Control Administration merged to form the Addictions Services Administration. The Addictions Services Administration was renamed the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration in 1988 (Chapter 758, Acts of 1988; Code Health—General Article, Title 8).

Functions of the Administration are carried out by the Office of Education and Training and eight divisions: Children, Youth, and Families; Criminal Justice; Grants Management; Management Information Services; Planning and Policy Development; Prevention; Regional Field Services; and

Special Populations. The Administration also is served by the State Advisory Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, and the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Treatment Advisory Committee.

*STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON  
ALCOHOL & DRUG ABUSE*

William H. Brill, *Chairperson*, 1992  
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The State Advisory Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse was created in 1988 (Chapter 758, Acts of 1988). The Council advocates a comprehensive approach to the social, economic, psychological and health problems of alcohol and drug abuse. It advises the Governor, the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, and the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration on programs to control alcoholism and drug addiction.

The Council consists of twenty-two members: twelve public members appointed by the Governor for three-year terms; two legislators; and eight ex officio members (Code Health—General Article, secs. 8-301 through 8-306).

*ALCOHOL & DRUG ABUSE TREATMENT  
RESEARCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE*

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In 1990, the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Treatment Research Advisory Committee was formed (Chapter 580, Acts of 1990). The Committee develops methodology for evaluating the effectiveness of treatment programs. The Committee also advises the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration on regulations needed for research on the effectiveness of treatment programs (Code Health—General Article, sec. 8-402).

**CHILDREN, YOUTH, & FAMILIES DIVISION**

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The Children, Youth, and Families Division began in Fiscal Year 1985 as a project of the Alcoholism Control Administration. It continued under the Special Projects Division when the Addictions Services Administration was formed in 1987. The following year, it was organized into the Youth, Adolescents, and Family Division and received its present name in 1993.

The Division develops, monitors, and funds assessment and treatment services for chemically dependent and drug- and alcohol-abusing adolescents and their families. Adolescents under age 18 or, if eligible for Medical Assistance (Medicaid), under age 21, as well as their families may secure a variety of services locally. These services include screening; clinical assessment; drug and