

The State Board of Social Work Examiners was formed in 1975 (Chapter 453, Acts of 1975). The Board issues licenses to social work associates, graduate social workers, certified social workers, and certified social workers-clinical. Under certain conditions the Board may take disciplinary measures to reprimand, suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew the license of a licensee.

The Board's seven members are appointed by the Governor for four-year terms. Five members must be licensed social workers. Two members are consumers appointed on recommendation of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene with Senate advice and consent. Consumer members cannot have had training as a social worker or have a financial interest in a related field. Authorization for the Board continues until July 1, 2004 (Code Health Occupations Article, secs. 19-201 through 19-502).

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The Maryland State School Health Council was created by the State Department of Health and the State Department of Education by 1946. Reorganized in 1966, the Council advises the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the State Department of Education on the school health program. The Council helps develop and maintain programs to provide a healthful school environment, health and safety instruction, and school health services. It also serves as a forum for the two State departments, their local counterparts, and other groups concerned with the health of school-age children.

The Council includes two representatives appointed by each of the twenty-four local health and education departments. The Executive Board consists of five members elected by the Council and representatives of health and education agencies; State and local government; medical associations; and education organizations.

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Authorized in 1947, the State Anatomy Board was created in 1949 (Chapter 669, Acts of 1947). The Board's purpose is to ensure the proper distribution of cadavers to qualified hospitals, medical

schools, and other agencies engaged in medical education and research. Bodies are distributed equitably to the anatomy department of each medical school in Maryland. The Board also carries out the legal provisions regulating Consent to Post Mortem Examination (Chapter 315, Acts of 1961) and the Anatomical Gift Act (Chapter 467, Acts of 1968).

The Board consists of two representatives from each of the departments of anatomy of medical schools in the State of Maryland and one representative of the Department of Anatomy of the University of Maryland School of Dentistry. Members of the Board are designated by the administrative officers of each school (Code Health—General Article, secs. 5-401 through 5-409).

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#### STATE BOARD OF NURSING

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The State Board of Nursing originated as the State Board of Examiners of Nurses in 1904 (Chapter 172, Acts of 1904). It received its present name in 1987 (Chapter 109, Acts of 1987).

To assure safe, competent nursing care for the public, the Board regulates the practice of registered nursing, licensed practical nursing, nurse practitioners, nurse midwives, nurse anesthetists, and nurse psychotherapists. The Board administers licensure examinations; issues licenses to those who successfully have completed requirements and examinations; evaluates, monitors and approves nursing education programs to assure that minimal standards are maintained; enforces standards of practice, interpreting the provisions of the Nurse Practice Act, defining the scope of nursing practice, and approving refresher programs; and assesses and evaluates trends in nursing. Through its investigative unit, the Board also investigates any complaint alleging violation of the Nurse Practice Act by a nurse, conducts hearings, and takes disciplinary action as required. Such action may include emergency suspension, revocation of license, denial of licensure, or probation.

The Board cooperates with the National Council of State Boards of Nursing in the preparation of the examination used for licensure. The Board also works together with health care facilities, educational institutions, professional organizations, the Maryland Higher Education Commission, the State Board of Education, the Office on Aging, county health departments, local school systems, and Department agencies.