

(2) THE CENTRAL PART OF THIS STATE.

(3) THE WESTERN PART OF THIS STATE.

(C) OTHER HOSPITALS.

THE SECRETARY ALSO SHALL OPERATE ANY OTHER CENTERS ESTABLISHED BY LAW AND PLACED UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE CARE OF INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE CHRONIC DISEASES.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly appeared as Article 43, § 42(a)(3) and the first and second sentences of § 598.

This section is revised to reflect that there are 3 existing chronic disease centers -- i.e., Deer's Head Center in Salisbury, Wicomico County, Montebello Center in Baltimore City, and Western Maryland Center in Hagerstown, Washington County.

The only other changes are in style.

The provisions of former Article 43, § 1B that required the Department to provide inpatient and outpatient facilities for chronically ill individuals are deleted as unnecessary in light of this section.

The provisions of former Article 43, § 1B that required facilities for tubercular individuals also are deleted as unnecessary since those individuals now are treated in chronic disease centers, rather than in separate facilities. See revisor's note to Title 18, Subtitle 3 of this article.

The third sentence of former Article 43, § 598, which required costs of building, equipping, and operating centers to be paid from appropriations in the State budget or a bond bill, is deleted as unnecessary in light of the law governing the budgetary process of this State. See Article III, § 32 of the State Constitution.

The fifth sentence of former Article 43, § 598, which required the appointment of staff as provided in the budget, is deleted as unnecessary in light of § 2-103(d) of this article, which generally enables the Secretary to employ staff.

Defined terms: "Center" § 19-501  
"Secretary" § 1-101

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