

III. Scope of the Commission

The Commission shall conduct a thorough examination of the laws governing or relating to services to developmentally disabled citizens and, in doing so, shall:

- A. Hold hearings at which persons, organizations, and agencies with an interest in developmental disabilities may present their views;
- B. Conduct meetings, discussions and investigations as necessary to gather information on the laws and services relating to the developmentally disabled citizens in Maryland and other states;
- C. Identify and examine the limitations and problems associated with existing laws, including the transition between the Special Education services and the adult Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Administration services;
- D. Examine the financing of services to the developmentally disabled citizens, in particular the role of the Medicaid program;
- E. By October 15, 1984, provide an interim report to the Governor on the Commission's activities and any remedial recommendations to enhance the delivery of existing services provided by the Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Administration.

IV. Definition of Developmental Disability

On May 1, 1985, the Commission shall provide the Governor with its recommendations on the appropriate definition(s) of developmental disability to be included in subsequent legislation revising Title 7 of the Health General Article of the Code. In making this recommendation, the Commission shall:

- A. Consider the analysis and information generated by the Walter P. Carter Center Developmental Disability Demonstration Project;
- B. Provide an analysis of the fiscal, programmatic, and policy implications of adopting the recommended definition(s) including such factors as the need for a "grandfather" provision for