

public-health responsibility and clinics are held periodically at central points in the Province. The Prince Edward Island Tuberculosis League, a voluntary organization supported by the sale of Christmas Tuberculosis Seals, works in close co-operation with the Provincial Sanatorium and Health Division.

Provision for annual grants is made to the general hospitals which, in turn, accept as free patients all indigent persons requiring hospital treatment. Expenses in connection with the operation of a hospital for the insane are borne practically in full by the Provincial Government.

The Department of Health operates two venereal-disease clinics, one at Charlottetown and the other at Summerside; hospital beds are provided for selected cases. All necessary medication is supplied free of charge to persons who are not within reach of public-health clinics.

Nova Scotia.—The Province is divided into six health districts with a competent medical director in charge of each, assisted by a staff of public-health nurses, sanitary inspectors, clerks and stenographers. Under the direction of the central Ministry of Health, these units carry on generalized public-health programs.

The city of Halifax with a trained medical health officer and staff constitutes a separate health unit and each town and municipality has a part-time medical health officer, board of health and sanitary inspector. The Provincial Unit Officers provide leadership and endeavour to standardize and correlate the work of the municipal services.

Attached to the central office are the Minister of Health, a Deputy Minister of Health, a Medical Statistician and Epidemiologist, a Public Health Engineer, a Superintendent of Public Health Nursing, Bacteriological, Pathological and Industrial Hygiene Laboratories, a division of Physical Fitness and Nutrition, a "Kenny" treatment clinic for poliomyelitis and a staff of statistical and general clerks and stenographers. A cancer clinic is operated in connection with the Victoria General hospital, a government-owned and operated institution.

Nurses, specially trained in the epidemiology of venereal diseases, are at work and ten treatment clinics with part-time directors are in operation in the health districts.

New Brunswick.—The Department of Health, under the administration of a Minister of Health, was established in 1918. It provides the following services: general sanitation, including supervision of water supplies and sewage disposal; control of communicable diseases, including tuberculosis and venereal diseases; public-health laboratory and the supply of biologicals; medical inspection of schools; collection of vital statistics; public-health nursing and child welfare; nutrition; health education; and general supervision and co-ordination of the work of the sub-district boards of health.

Under the Minister, the Department is directed by the Chief Medical Officer, who is also Registrar General of Vital Statistics. The staff consists of an Assistant Registrar General, a Director of Laboratories, seven full-time Medical Health Officers, a full-time Director of Venereal Disease Control, a Director of Public Health Nursing Service and eleven Public Health Nurses assigned to the different counties.

The Province assumes the costs of sanatorium care for tuberculosis patients; all hospital care for poliomyelitis patients treated at the Provincial Clinic at Fredericton; and about 60 p.c. of the costs of hospital care for mental patients.