

Per diem grants are made to general hospitals for all patients and hospitals accept, without charge, all indigent persons requiring treatment. Expense of operation of the mental hospital is borne practically in full by the Province.

**Nova Scotia.**—The principal Divisions of the Department of Public Health are Laboratories, Industrial Hygiene, Neuropsychiatry, Physical Fitness, Dental Hygiene, Nutrition, the Nursing Service and Sanitary Engineering. The Deputy Minister of Health, as Deputy Registrar General, is also in charge of vital statistics.

A province-wide program of public health services is administered through seven health divisions. The city of Halifax, which operates its own Department of Health, receives financial assistance from the Province. Each Division is staffed by public health nurses and sanitary inspectors and is under the supervision of a full-time Divisional Medical Health Officer. Divisions are equipped with portable X-ray and other apparatus and provide the following services: health education, communicable disease control, environmental sanitation, public health nursing, and maternal, infant and child hygiene.

The Department has recently established well-baby clinics and has organized a hearing-test unit and a demonstration unit for home pasteurization; the Industrial Hygiene Division carries out field and laboratory investigation. Two psychiatric clinics provide field services in mental health; the Neuropsychiatric Division has conducted a survey of the inmates of county homes and hospitals. Two mobile dental clinics are operated by the Department.

Diagnostic services, including bacteriological and other examinations and milk and water analyses, are provided to physicians and health divisions by the Provincial Laboratories. Streptomycin for tuberculosis and penicillin for venereal disease cases are provided by the Province.

The five provincially owned hospitals operated under the direction of the Department are the general hospital, three tuberculosis sanatoria, and the Nova Scotia Hospital for mental cases. A cancer clinic and a Kenny treatment clinic for poliomyelitis are attached to the general hospital. Treatment for tuberculosis is free and care for mental illness is given without charge in the Nova Scotia Hospital.

A provincial per diem subsidy is given to all approved hospitals for each patient receiving treatment. An agreement between the Department of Public Welfare and the Nova Scotia Medical Society provides for medical services, including both home and office calls of a doctor, to old-age and to blind pensioners and to recipients of mothers' allowances.

**New Brunswick.**—The administration of the Health Branch of the Department of Health and Social Services is under the Chief Medical Officer, who is also Registrar-General. Divisions supervised by full-time Directors are: Hospital Services, Laboratories, Public Health Nursing, Venereal Disease Control, Tuberculosis Control, Maternal and Child Health, Mental Health, Cancer Control, Sanitary Engineering, and Dental Health. A recently established Communicable Disease Control Division is administered by the Director of Venereal Disease Control. Provincial Government hospitals consisting of two tuberculosis sanatoria and one mental hospital are operated under the supervision of medical superintendents.

Health services are administered through 16 sub-health districts; 15 of these are continuous with the counties of the Province, and the city of Fredericton forms the sixteenth. Two to four sub-districts are grouped under the supervision of one District Medical Health Officer, who is responsible for the enforcement of public health legislation within the area.