

# Executive Orders

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

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WHEREAS, Sickle Cell Anemia, an hereditary blood disorder, is a serious health menace to a substantial portion of our population; and

WHEREAS, Few who contract it live beyond age thirty, adding another dimension to the day-to-day problems of life in our ghetto areas; and

WHEREAS, Current data indicates that 10% of the total Black population in New Jersey carry the genes which cause Sickle Cell Anemia; the disease is the cause of high infant mortality; those who have the disorder suffer periodic crises which are extremely painful and debilitating; and

WHEREAS, There exists at this time no known cure for Sickle Cell Anemia, and current attempts to combat Sickle Cell Disease are fragmented and there is no coordinated effort in the field of research, testing and treatment; and

WHEREAS, In addition to Sickle Cell Anemia there are other inherited hemoglobin disorders including Cooley's Anemia which are a serious health menace to a substantial portion of our population, and many of the victims live under circumstances which make it difficult to obtain adequate health services, and there exists at this time no known cure for these disorders;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, William T. Cahill, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. That there is hereby established within the State Department of Health the New Jersey Sickle Cell Disease Study Commission which shall have the responsibility for the full examination of problems in New Jersey associated with Sickle Cell trait and disease, Cooley's Anemia and other related diseases of hemo-

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8. The Commission shall make its recommendations to the Governor no later than six months from the date hereof.

9. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

[SEAL] Given, under my hand and seal this 2nd day of January, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and seventy-three of the Independence of the United States, the one hundred and ninety-seventh.

/s/ WILLIAM T. CAHILL,  
*Governor.*

Attest:

/s/ JEAN E. MULFORD,  
*Acting Secretary to the Governor.*

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WHEREAS, Collection of blood for transfusion to New Jersey's citizens is presently performed by a multiplicity of volunteer and commercial agencies each operating by principles unique to themselves; and

WHEREAS, Voluntary blood collecting agencies succeeded in making available only 68.8% of the stock of blood needed by New Jersey's hospitals during calendar year 1970; and

WHEREAS, Blood from paid donors has been associated in New Jersey with substantially greater risk of transmitting hepatitis than units collected from volunteers; and

WHEREAS, The voluntary agencies concerned with blood collection have never succeeded in joining together to forge a uniform approach that would permit a State-wide donor recruitment program;

Now, THEREFORE, I, William T. Cahill, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. There is hereby created a Commission to be known as the Commission on Blood Banking (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission") composed of five members, in no way directly related to existing blood banking organizations or operations, hospitals or medicine, all of whom shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The members shall serve without

globin, and to formulate recommendations for the development of a coordinated, effective, State-wide program to alleviate problems associated with Sickle Cell trait and disease, Cooley's Anemia and other related diseases of hemoglobin.

2. The Commission is also empowered to investigate and make recommendations with respect to the effectiveness of presently existing organizations and associations functioning to combat Sickle Cell Disease, Cooley's Anemia and other related diseases of hemoglobin, including fund raising organizations.

3. The New Jersey Sickle Cell Disease Study Commission shall consist of five persons, including the chairman, all of whom shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor and who shall be interested and knowledgeable in the field of health protection and familiar specifically with conditions and health care needs with respect to Sickle Cell Disease, Cooley's Anemia and other related diseases of the hemoglobin. The members of the Commission may elect from among themselves a vice-chairman; may appoint a secretary, who need not be a member of the Board; and may adopt bylaws and rules governing their work consistent with law. In the absence of the chairman, the vice-chairman shall discharge the powers and duties of the chairman.

4. The members of the Board shall serve without compensation, but shall be entitled to reimbursement for any expenses reasonably incurred in the discharge of their official duties, subject to the availability of funds.

5. The New Jersey Sickle Cell Disease Study Commission shall meet at the call of the Governor or its chairman and shall report to the Governor at such times as the Governor may require or the Commission deems appropriate.

6. The Commission shall be entitled to call upon any Department, agency or office of the State of New Jersey for such documents, materials and information as it may deem necessary, and shall be entitled to the cooperation of every Department, agency or office of the State of New Jersey.

7. In order to carry out its functions, the Commission is authorized to conduct such public hearings and to solicit such information from the public and any other source as it deems appropriate, and shall be entitled to the cooperation of every Department, agency or office of the State of New Jersey.

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