144A.4799 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH LICENSED HOME CARE PROVIDER ADVISORY COUNCIL.

Subdivision 1. **Membership.** The commissioner of health shall appoint eight persons to a home care provider advisory council consisting of the following:

(1) three public members as defined in section 214.02 who shall be either persons who are currently receiving home care services or have family members receiving home care services, or persons who have family members who have received home care services within five years of the application date;

(2) three Minnesota home care licensees representing basic and comprehensive levels of licensure who may be a managerial official, an administrator, a supervising registered nurse, or an unlicensed personnel performing home care tasks;

(3) one member representing the Minnesota Board of Nursing; and

(4) one member representing the ombudsman for long-term care.

Subd. 2. **Organizations and meetings.** The advisory council shall be organized and administered under section 15.059 with per diems and costs paid within the limits of available appropriations. Meetings will be held quarterly and hosted by the department. Subcommittees may be developed as necessary by the commissioner. Advisory council meetings are subject to the Open Meeting Law under chapter 13D.

Subd. 3. **Duties.** At the commissioner's request, the advisory council shall provide advice regarding regulations of Department of Health licensed home care providers in this chapter such as:

(1) advice to the commissioner regarding community standards for home care practices;

(2) advice to the commissioner on enforcement of licensing standards and whether certain disciplinary actions are appropriate;

(3) advice to the commissioner about ways of distributing information to licensees and consumers of home care;

(4) advice to the commissioner about training standards;

(5) identify emerging issues and opportunities in the home care field, including the use of technology in home and telehealth capabilities; and

(6) perform other duties as directed by the commissioner.

History: 2013 c 108 art 11 s 27