CHAPTER 254A

TREATMENT FOR ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE

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254A.035 AMERICAN INDIAN ADVISORY COUNCIL.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1996]

Subd. 2. Membership terms, compensation, removal and expiration. The membership of this council shall be composed of 17 persons who are American Indians and who are appointed by the commissioner. The commissioner shall appoint one representative from each of the following groups: Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians; Fond du Lac Band, Minnesota Chippewa Tribe; Grand Portage Band, Minnesota Chippewa Tribe; Leech Lake Band, Minnesota Chippewa Tribe; Bois Forte Band, Minnesota Chippewa Tribe; White Earth Band, Minnesota Chippewa Tribe; Lower Sioux Indian Reservation; Prairie Island Sioux Indian Reservation; Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Indian Reservation; Upper Sioux Indian Reservation; International Falls Northern Range; Duluth Urban Indian Community; and two representatives from the Minneapolis Urban Indian Community and two from the St. Paul Urban Indian Community. The terms, compensation, and removal of American Indian advisory council members shall be as provided in section 15.059. The council expires June 30, 2001.

History: 1997 c 192 s 33

254A.04 CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL.

There is hereby created an alcohol and other drug abuse advisory council to advise the department of human services concerning the problems of alcohol and other drug dependency and abuse, composed of ten members. Five members shall be individuals whose interests or training are in the field of alcohol dependency and abuse; and five members whose interests or training are in the field of dependency and abuse of drugs other than alcohol. The terms, compensation and removal of members shall be as provided in section 15.059. The council expires June 30, 2001. The commissioner of human services shall appoint members whose terms end in even-numbered years. The commissioner of health shall appoint members whose terms end in odd-numbered years.

History: 1997 c 192 s 34

254A.16 RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COMMISSIONER.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1996]

- Subd. 2. (a) The commissioner shall provide program and service guidelines and technical assistance to the county boards in carrying out services authorized under sections 254A.08, 254A.12, 254A.14, and their responsibilities under chapter 256E.
- (b) The commissioner shall recommend to the governor means of improving the efficiency and effectiveness of comprehensive program services in the state and maximizing the use of nongovernmental funds for providing comprehensive programs.

[For text of subd 5, see M.S.1996]

History: 1997 c 7 art 2 s 39

254A.17 PREVENTION AND TREATMENT INITIATIVES.

[For text of subds 1 to 2, see M.S.1996]

Subd. 3. Statewide detoxification transportation program. The commissioner shall provide grants to counties, Indian reservations, other nonprofit agencies, or local detoxifica-

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tion programs for provision of transportation of intoxicated individuals to detoxification programs, open shelters, secure shelters as defined in section 254A.085, shelters serving intoxicated persons, including long-term supportive housing facilities for chronic inebriates, and hospital emergency rooms. Unless a county has approved a grant of funds under this section, the commissioner shall make payments of detoxification funds to a county only after receiving an invoice describing the number of persons transported and the cost of transportation services. The commissioner shall make an annual payment to counties for provision of transportation under this section. If appropriations are not sufficient to pay the allowed maximum per trip, the commissioner shall reduce the maximum payment per trip until payments do not exceed the appropriation. A county must make a good faith effort to provide the transportation service through the most cost-effective community-based agencies or organizations eligible to provide the service. The program administrator and all staff of the program must report to the office of the ombudsman for mental health and mental retardation within 24 hours of its occurrence, any serious injury, as defined in section 245.91, subdivision 6, or the death of a person admitted to the shelter. The ombudsman shall acknowledge in writing the receipt of all reports made to the ombudsman's office under this section. Acknowledgment must be mailed to the facility and to the county social service agency within five working days of the day the report was made. In addition, the program administrator and staff of the program must comply with all of the requirements of section 626.557, the Vulnerable Adults Act.

History: 1997 c 203 art 4 s 4