

**245.52 COMMISSIONER OF HUMAN SERVICES AS COMPACT ADMINISTRATOR.**

The commissioner of human services is hereby designated as "compact administrator." The commissioner shall have the powers and duties specified in the compact, and may, in the name of the state of Minnesota, subject to the approval of the attorney general as to form and legality, enter into such agreements authorized by the compact as the commissioner deems appropriate to effecting the purpose of the compact. The commissioner shall, within the limits of the appropriations for the care of persons with mental illness or developmental disabilities, authorize such payments as are necessary to discharge any financial obligations imposed upon this state by the compact or any agreement entered into under the compact.

If the patient has no established residence in a Minnesota county, the commissioner shall designate the county of financial responsibility for the purposes of carrying out the provisions of the Interstate Compact on Mental Health as it pertains to patients being transferred to Minnesota. The commissioner shall designate the county which is the residence of the person in Minnesota who initiates the earliest written request for the patient's transfer.

**History:** 1957 c 326 s 2; 1981 c 98 s 1; 1984 c 654 art 5 s 58; 1985 c 21 s 4; 1986 c 444; 2005 c 56 s 1