

**148.6376 MASSAGE THERAPY ADVISORY COUNCIL.**

Subdivision 1. **Creation; membership.** (a) The Massage Therapy Advisory Council is created and is composed of five members appointed by the commissioner. All members must have resided in this state for at least three years immediately preceding appointment. The advisory council consists of:

(1) two public members, as defined in section 214.02; and

(2) three members who are registered under sections 148.636 to 148.6377, two of whom must be registered massage therapists.

(b) No more than one member of the advisory council may be an owner or administrator of a massage therapy education provider.

Subd. 2. **Administration.** The advisory council is established and administered under section 15.059.

Subd. 3. **Chair.** The advisory council shall elect a chair from among its members.

Subd. 4. **Duties.** The advisory council shall:

(1) advise the commissioner on establishing standards of practice and a code of ethics for registered massage therapists and Asian bodywork therapists;

(2) advise the commissioner on distributing information regarding massage therapy and Asian bodywork therapy practice standards;

(3) establish educational requirements, approve massage therapy and Asian bodywork therapy schools or programs, and conduct or provide for surveys of schools, programs, and courses; and

(4) perform other duties authorized for advisory councils under chapter 214, as directed by the commissioner.

Subd. 5. **Expiration.** Notwithstanding section 15.059, the advisory council does not expire.

**History:** 2026 c 115 art 3 s 20