



Substitute House Bill No. 5447

Public Act No. 08-95

AN ACT CONCERNING APPOINTMENTS TO THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PARTNERSHIP OVERSIGHT COUNCIL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 17a-22j of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2008*):

(b) The council shall consist of the following members:

(1) Four appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives; two of whom are representatives of general or specialty psychiatric hospitals; one of whom is an adult with a psychiatric disability; and one of whom is an advocate for adults with psychiatric disabilities;

(2) Four appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, two of whom are parents of children who have a behavioral health disorder or have received child protection or juvenile justice services from the Department of Children and Families; one of whom has expertise in health policy and evaluation; and one of whom is an advocate for children with behavioral health disorders;

(3) Two appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives; one of whom is a primary care provider serving

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children pursuant to the HUSKY Plan; and one of whom is a child psychiatrist serving children pursuant to the HUSKY Plan;

(4) Two appointed by the majority leader of the Senate; one of whom is either an adult with a substance use disorder or an advocate for adults with substance use disorders; and one of whom is a representative of school-based health clinics;

(5) Two appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives; one of whom is a provider of community-based behavioral health services for adults; and one of whom is a provider of residential treatment for children;

(6) Two appointed by the minority leader of the Senate; one of whom is a provider of community-based services for children with behavioral health problems; and one of whom is a member of the advisory council on Medicaid managed care;

(7) Four appointed by the Governor; two of whom are representatives of general or specialty psychiatric hospitals and two of whom are parents of children who have a behavioral health disorder or have received child protection or juvenile justice services from the Department of Children and Families;

[(1)] (8) The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human services, public health, appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, or their designees;

[(2)] (9) A member of the Community Mental Health Strategy Board, established pursuant to section 17a-485b, as selected by said board;

[(3)] (10) The Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services, or said commissioner's designee;

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[(4) Sixteen members appointed by the chairpersons of the advisory council on Medicaid managed care, established pursuant to section 17b-28;

(A) Two of whom are representatives of general or specialty psychiatric hospitals;

(B) One of whom is an adult with a psychiatric disability;

(C) One of whom is an advocate for adults with psychiatric disabilities;

(D) Two of whom are parents of children who have a behavioral health disorder or have received child protection or juvenile justice services from the Department of Children and Families;

(E) One of whom has expertise in health policy and evaluation;

(F) One of whom is an advocate for children with behavioral health disorders;

(G) One of whom is a primary care provider serving HUSKY children;

(H) One of whom is a child psychiatrist serving HUSKY children;

(I) One of whom is either an adult with a substance use disorder or an advocate for adults with substance use disorders;

(J) One of whom is a representative of school-based health clinics;

(K) One of whom is a provider of community-based behavioral health services for adults;

(L) One of whom is a provider of residential treatment for children;

(M) One of whom is a provider of community-based services for

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children with behavioral health problems; and

(N) One of whom is a member of the advisory council on Medicaid managed care;]

[(5)] (11) Seven nonvoting ex-officio members, one each appointed by the Commissioners of Social Services, Children and Families, Mental Health and Addiction Services and Education to represent his or her department and one appointed by the State Comptroller, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the Office of Health Care Access to represent said offices;

[(6)] (12) One or more consumers appointed by the chairpersons of the council, to be nonvoting ex-officio members; and

[(7)] (13) One representative from the administrative services organization and from each Medicaid managed care organization, to be nonvoting ex-officio members.

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