**Section 240.1800 Community Care Program Advisory Committee**

a) The Director shall appoint individuals to serve on the Community Care Program Advisory Committee (CCPAC) that shall advise the Department on rates of reimbursement for the CCP service delivery network and issues affecting the CCP service delivery network and recommend solution strategies. The CCPAC shall meet on a bi-monthly basis.

b) Persons appointed to the CCPAC shall be appointed based upon their experience with the CCP, geographic representation, and willingness to serve. Representatives shall serve at their own expense and must abide by all applicable ethics laws. Representatives will be appointed to represent older adults and provider, advocacy, policy research and other constituencies committed to the delivery of high quality in-home and community-based services to older adults. Representatives shall be appointed to assure representation from:

1) adult day service providers;

2) in-home service providers;

3) CCUs;

4) emergency home response providers;

5) statewide trade or labor unions that represent homecare aides and direct care staff;

6) Area Agencies on Aging;

7) adults over age 60;

8) membership organizations representing older adults; and

9) other organizational entities, providers of care, and/or individuals determined by the Director to have demonstrated interest and expertise in the fields of in-home and community-based care.

c) Nominations may be presented from any agency or State association with interest in the CCP.

d) The Director, or designee, will serve as permanent Co-chair of the CCPAC . One other Co-chair shall be nominated and approved annually by members of the CCPAC.

e) The Director will designate Department staff to provide technical assistance and staff support to the Committee. Department representation will not constitute membership on the CCPAC.

f) Terms of appointment will be for 4 years. Members shall continue to serve until their replacements are named.

g) The Department will fill vacancies that have a remaining term of over 1 year, and this replacement will occur through the annual replacement of expiring terms.

h) All papers, issues, recommendations, reports and meeting memoranda will be advisory only. The Director, or designee, will make a written response/report, as requested, regarding issues before the CCPAC.

i) The Director retains full decision making authority on the CCP regarding any recommendations presented by the CCPAC.

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