

2012 Kansas Statutes

39-1605. Governor's mental health services planning council; composition of council; chairperson; terms of members; vacancies; vice-chairperson; compensation. (a) There is hereby established the governor's mental health services planning council. The council shall consist of 25 members.

(b) So the composition of the council is in compliance with the requirements of public law 102-321 and supplementary federal acts, persons appointed to the council will be in accordance with the following:

(1) Nine members shall be state agency representatives who shall include:

(A) The commissioner of mental health and developmental disabilities;

(B) the secretary of social and rehabilitation services shall appoint one member for each of the following areas: Vocational rehabilitation, alcohol and drug abuse services, medical services and children and family services;

(C) the commissioner of juvenile justice;

(D) the commissioner of education;

(E) the secretary of corrections; and

(F) the secretary of commerce. If a commissioner or secretary is unable to participate, the commissioner or secretary shall appoint a designee as the official member of the council.

(2) The governor shall appoint the following persons to the council:

(A) One member shall be a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery with board certification in psychiatry;

(B) two members shall be executive directors of mental health centers; and

(C) 13 members shall be individuals who are not state employees or providers of mental health services. Of the 13 members, four members shall be adult consumers with serious and persistent mental illness; three members shall be immediate family members of adult consumers with serious and persistent mental illnesses; four members shall be family members of minor children or youth with severe emotional disturbances; and two members shall be members of the general public.

(c) The terms of members who are currently serving on the council shall expire on the effective date of this act. At that time, appointees of the governor under subsection (b)(2) shall be appointed to the council by the governor with 1/2 appointed for a term of two years and the other 1/2 for a term of four years as specified by the governor. Thereafter, each member appointed to the council by the governor shall be appointed for a term of four years.

(d) Each member of the council shall serve until a successor is appointed and qualified. In the case of a vacancy on the council, a successor of like qualifications shall be appointed or designated to fill the unexpired term in accordance with subsections (b)(1) and (2).

(e) The governor shall designate the chairperson of the council. The members of the council shall elect a vice-chairperson.

(f) Members of the governor's mental health services planning council attending meetings of the council, or attending a subcommittee meeting thereof authorized by the council, shall be paid amounts provided in subsection (e) of K.S.A. 75-3223, and amendments thereto.

History: L. 1990, ch. 92, § 5; L. 1997, ch. 73, § 1; L. 2003, ch. 154, § 13; July 1.