

### **211.296 Palliative Care Interdisciplinary Advisory Council.**

- (1) The Palliative Care Interdisciplinary Advisory Council is hereby established to improve the quality and delivery of patient- and family-centered care throughout the Commonwealth and to advise the cabinet on matters related to the establishment, maintenance, operation, and outcomes evaluation of palliative care initiatives. The council shall be attached to and administered by the cabinet.
- (2) The Governor shall appoint the members of the council to serve three (3) year terms. The council shall consist of thirteen (13) voting members, and may include nonvoting members who are relevant cabinet representatives designated by the Governor. Voting members shall be:
  - (a) Two (2) members from interdisciplinary medical, nursing, social work, pharmacy, and spiritual professions with palliative care work experience or expertise;
  - (b) Two (2) members who are either licensed or certified hospice and palliative medicine physicians licensed pursuant to KRS Chapter 311 or licensed or certified hospice and palliative care advanced practice registered nurses licensed pursuant to KRS Chapter 314;
  - (c) One (1) member who has pediatric palliative care expertise;
  - (d) One (1) member who is a patient or family caregiver advocate;
  - (e) One (1) member recommended to the Governor by the Statewide Independent Living Council;
  - (f) One (1) member recommended to the Governor by the American Cancer Society;
  - (g) One (1) member recommended to the Governor by the Kentucky Right to Life Association;
  - (h) One (1) member recommended to the Governor by the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program;
  - (i) One (1) member recommended to the Governor by the Kentucky Association of Hospice and Palliative Care;
  - (j) One (1) member recommended to the Governor by the Kentucky Psychological Association; and
  - (k) One (1) member recommended to the Governor by the Kentucky Association of Health Care Facilities.
- (3) Appointed members of the council shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for actual expenses incurred in the performance of duties in accordance with KRS 45.101 and administrative regulations promulgated thereunder.
- (4)
  - (a) Members of the council shall elect a chair and vice chair whose duties shall be established by the council.
  - (b) The time and place for regularly scheduled meetings shall be established by a majority vote of the council, but there shall be at least two (2) meetings per year.

- (c) The chair or any three (3) voting members shall provide two (2) weeks' notice to the members regarding an upcoming meeting.

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