

Adult Day License Stakeholder Group

Background

The 2017 MN Legislature requested DHS to study adult day services in the state. The purpose of the study was to evaluate current and potential adult day service models to support the state’s goal of purchasing high-quality services that meet the needs and goals of individual adult day participants. The study took place in 2018 with the support of a stakeholder group and resulted in a [report to the legislature](#) submitted in January 2019.

The Adult Day Services Study legislative report recommended that the state update and revise licensing standards for adult day. DHS plans to develop a proposal for new licensing standards for the 2021 legislative session. DHS is convening a stakeholder group to provide input on the development of the proposed standards.

Stakeholder Group

DHS formed a 20-member stakeholder group to provide input on the development of new licensing standards. The group has a balance of representatives, including service providers, consumer advocates, and lead agencies. Stakeholder group meetings will be held approximately every-other month September 2019 through November 2020; however, monthly meetings may be needed as the project concludes. DHS anticipates each meeting will be approximately 2 hours. Meetings will be held in-person at DHS or a nearby location in St. Paul. For members who are unable to travel to St. Paul, we will provide a conference-call and screen-sharing option. The table below shows the current list of stakeholders.

Organization	Representative
Alzheimer's Association Minnesota-North Dakota	Josh Ney
Augustana Care	Gail Skoglund
Care Providers of Minnesota	Erin Buie
Carver County	Jill Willems
Disability advocate	Kathy Ware
LeadingAge of Minnesota	Roni Falck
Legal Aid / Minnesota Disability Law Center	Margaret Kientz
Legal Aid / Senior Law Project	Betsy Parrell
Lifestyle Adult Day Center LLC	Sheng Hang Amerson
Medica	Becky Bills
Merrick, Inc. / MN Organization for Habilitation and Rehabilitation	John Wayne Barker

Organization	Representative
Minnesota Association of Area Agencies on Aging / Arrowhead AAA	Kristi Kane
Minnesota Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities / PAI	Alicia McCallum
Minnesota Elder Justice Center	Sean Burke
PrimeWest	Tonia Kirchner
Ramsey County	Stephanie Alexander
Rise / MN Organization for Habilitation and Rehabilitation	Lynn Noren
St Louis County	Kate Karakash
St Otto's Care Center Adult Day	Lisa Nelson

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