

**304.17A-080 Health Insurance Advisory Council -- Powers -- Duties -- Members -- Expenses and supplies.**

- (1) There is hereby created and established a Health Insurance Advisory Council whose duties shall be to review and discuss with the commissioner any issues which impact the provision of health insurance in the state. The advisory council shall consist of nine (9) members: the commissioner plus eight (8) persons appointed by the Governor with the advice of the commissioner to serve two (2) year terms. The commissioner shall serve as chair of the advisory council.
- (2) The eight (8) persons appointed by the Governor with the advice of the commissioner shall be:
  - (a) Two (2) representatives of insurers currently offering health benefit plans in the state;
  - (b) Two (2) practicing health care providers;
  - (c) Two (2) representatives of purchasers of health benefit plans; and
  - (d) Two (2) representatives of agents.
- (3) The council shall:
  - (a) Review and discuss the design of the standard health benefit plan;
  - (b) Review and discuss the rate-filing process for all health benefit plans;
  - (c) Review and discuss the administrative regulations concerning this subtitle to be promulgated by the department;
  - (d) Make recommendations on high-cost conditions as provided in KRS 304.17B-033;
  - (e) Advise the Department of Insurance concerning the Department of Insurance's separation plan for the division of duties and responsibilities between the operation of the Department of Insurance and the operation of Kentucky Access;
  - (f) Review and discuss issues that impact Kentucky Access; and
  - (g) Review and discuss other issues at the request of the commissioner.
- (4) The advisory council shall be a budgetary unit of the department which shall pay all of the advisory council's necessary operating expenses and shall furnish all office space, personnel, equipment, supplies, and technical or administrative services required by the advisory council in the performance of the functions established in this section.

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