

231.44 Resident advocate committee — duties — disclosure — liability.

1. The resident advocate committee volunteer program is administered by the long-term care resident's advocate program.

2. The responsibilities of the resident advocate committee are in accordance with the rules adopted by the commission pursuant to [chapter 17A](#). When adopting the rules, the commission shall consider the needs of residents of elder group homes as defined in [section 231B.1](#) and each category of licensed health care facility as defined in [section 135C.1, subsection 6](#), and the services each facility may render. The commission shall coordinate the development of appropriate rules with other state agencies.

3. A long-term care facility shall disclose the names, addresses, and phone numbers of a resident's family members, if requested, to a resident advocate committee member, unless permission for this disclosure is refused in writing by a family member.

4. The state, any resident advocate committee member, and any local long-term care resident's advocate are not liable for an action undertaken by a resident advocate committee member or a local long-term care resident's advocate in the performance of duty, if the action is undertaken and carried out reasonably and in good faith.

86 Acts, ch 1245, §1018

C87, §249D.44

87 Acts, ch 70, §2; 88 Acts, ch 1068, §3

C93, §231.44

94 Acts, ch 1170, §46; 99 Acts, ch 129, §14; 2003 Acts, ch 141, §12; 2004 Acts, ch 1090, §13; 2005 Acts, ch 45, §12; 2009 Acts, ch 23, §31

Referred to in [§135C.25](#)