

**17—22.7(231E,633) Individuals eligible for services.** The state office shall seek to restrict appointments to only those necessary. The state office will not accept an appointment based upon a voluntary petition.

**22.7(1)** In order to qualify for services, the individual shall meet all of the following criteria:

- a.* Is a resident of the state of Iowa;
- b.* Is aged 18 or older;
- c.* Does not have a suitable individual or appropriate entity willing and able to serve as guardian or conservator;
- d.* Is incompetent; and
- e.* Is an individual for whom guardianship or conservatorship services are the least restrictive means of meeting the individual's needs.

**22.7(2)** The following cases shall be given priority:

- a.* Those involving abuse, neglect or exploitation;
- b.* Those in which a critical medical decision must be made; or
- c.* Any situation which may cause serious or irreparable harm to the consumer's mental or physical health or estate.

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