

Governor
Lt. Governor

Director
Deputy Director

The Department provides administrative support to the attached units pursuant to Iowa Code section 7E.2(5)

Administration

- Food Safety Inspections & Licensing
- Social & Charitable Gambling
- Targeted Small Business Certification
- Personnel/Human Resources
- Administrative Rules
- Legislative Liaison
- Fiscal Services
- Property Management
- Public Information
- Indian Gaming

Administrative Hearings

- Conducts contested case hearings for various departments within state government
- Conducts hearings for professional licensing boards, and the Alcoholic Beverages Division of the Commerce Department

Health Facilities

- Inspects & certifies nursing homes and other long-term care providers/suppliers for participation in the Medicare & Medicaid Programs
- Inspects and licenses hospitals and hospice agencies
- Certifies assisted living programs and elder group homes
- Inspects & reviews child-placing agencies
- Maintains statewide registry of Certified Nursing Assistants

Investigations

- Investigates welfare fraud, and Medicaid fraud committed by providers
- Reviews error-prone applications for Food Assistance, Medicaid Assistance, and FIP participation
- Investigates allegations of abuse or neglect of residents in nursing homes
- Conducts audits of nursing homes participating in the Medicaid Program
- Collects overpayments made to individuals from the State's Public Assistance Programs
- Conducts special investigations for the State's professional licensing boards

Child Advocacy Board

Reviews foster care placement plans to ensure permanency planning occurs.

Employment Appeal Board

Conducts higher level appeal hearings for Job Service Division of the Department of Workforce Development.

Hospital Licensing Board

Advises the Department on matters and proposed rules affecting the licensure and regulation of hospitals.

Racing & Gaming Commission

Coordinates the supervision and regulation of pari-mutuel wagering and gambling.

State Public Defender

Represents indigent clients in criminal, juvenile, and related cases where the program is in effect.