

EXECUTIVE BRANCH AGENCIES

MENTAL HEALTH AND DISABILITY SERVICES COMMISSION

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<i>Name</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Term Ending</i>
John Parmeter, Chair.....	Des Moines	April 30, 2021
Thomas C. Bouska.....	Council Bluffs.....	April 30, 2020
Thomas Broecker.....	Burlington.....	April 30, 2020
Dennis Bush.....	Cleghorn.....	April 30, 2020
Teresa Daubitz.....	Cedar Rapids.....	April 30, 2022
Jody Eaton.....	Newton.....	April 30, 2021
Kathryn Johnson.....	Cedar Rapids.....	April 30, 2020
Geoffrey M. Lauer.....	Iowa City.....	April 30, 2020
Shari O'Bannon.....	Storm Lake.....	April 30, 2022
Rick Sanders.....	Nevada.....	April 30, 2021
Maria Sorensen.....	Greenfield.....	April 30, 2022
Cory Turner.....	Cherokee.....	April 30, 2022
Richard Whitaker.....	Davenport.....	April 30, 2021
Russell Wood.....	Hampton.....	April 30, 2020
Lorrie Young.....	Mason City.....	April 30, 2020

Ex officio, nonvoting members from the General Assembly

Senate

Jeff Edler.....	State Center.....	January 10, 2021
Pam Jochum.....	Dubuque.....	January 10, 2021

House

Joel Fry.....	Osceola.....	January 10, 2021
Scott D. Ourth.....	Ackworth.....	January 10, 2021

The commission's responsibilities include advising the Mental Health and Disability Services Division of the department on the overall administration of the state disability services system; making system design recommendations for adults and children with MH/ID/DD/BI to the General Assembly and executive branch; adopting rules as necessary pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A, which relate to disability programs and services; adopting standards for accreditation of community health centers and other mental health programs; biannually submitting a report on the availability and cost-effectiveness of services; and advising the administrator of the Mental Health and Disability Services Division, the Council on Human Services, the Governor, and the General Assembly on budgets and appropriations concerning disability services.

The Governor appoints the commission members with Senate approval. Three members must be county supervisors at the time of their appointment; two must be selected from nominees submitted by the director; one must be an active board member of a community mental health center selected from nominees submitted by the Iowa Association of Community Providers; one must be an active board member of an agency serving persons with developmental disabilities selected from nominees submitted by the Iowa Association of Community Providers; one must be a board member or employee of a provider of mental health or developmental disabilities services to children; two must be staff members of regional administrators selected from nominees submitted by the community services affiliate of the Iowa State Association of Counties; one must be selected from nominees submitted by the state's Council of the Association of Federal, State, County, and Municipal Employees; and three must be service consumers or family members of service consumers and of these, one must be a service consumer, one must be a parent of a child service consumer, and one must be a parent or other family member of a person admitted to and living at a state resource center. Two members must be selected from nominees selected by service advocates and of these, one must be an active member of a statewide organization for persons with brain injury. One member must be an active board member of an agency serving persons with a substance abuse problem selected from nominees submitted by the Iowa Behavioral Health Association, and one member must be

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a military veteran who is knowledgeable concerning the behavioral and mental health issues of veterans. In addition to the voting members, the membership includes four members of the General Assembly, with one member designated by each of the following: the Majority Leader of the Senate, the Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives. Legislative members serve ex officio.