

4. requires efforts to reduce the proportion of juveniles detained or confined in secure facilities who are members of minority groups, if such proportion exceeds the proportion such groups represent in the general population.

The Council supports community-based services, coordination, and prevention efforts.

The Act requires that the council have representatives of private organizations concerned with family strength; volunteer organizations; community-based treatment programs; businesses employing youth; youth workers with alternative youth programs; and expertise in the problems of the family, school violence, vandalism, and learning disabilities. At least one-fifth of the membership is to be under the age of 24.

Deaf Services, Division of

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POLLY ADAM, chair, Des Moines; term expires 2001; MARY NEGAARD, Rock Valley; term expires 2000; JACK PURCELL, Algona; term expires 2000; SHARON TERRY, Council Bluffs; term expires 2002; MARVIN TUTTLE, Des Moines; term expires 2001; LOREN J. WOODS, Ankeny; term expires 2002; SUSAN MACDONALD, Iowa City; term expires 2002

Ex-officio Member

ROSE VASQUEZ, director, Department of Human Rights

The Deaf Services Commission of Iowa is a division of the Department of Human Rights. The seven members serving on the commission are appointed by the governor. At least four members of the commission shall be persons who cannot hear human speech with or without the use of amplification.

The duties of the commission include cooperating with the public and private agencies to assist them in identifying the needs of the deaf community and providing and/or coordinating services to meet those needs. Some of those services include interpreting services, advocacy and consultation services, referral to community resources, legislation development, and collecting and disseminating information regarding deafness through comprehensive library services, and other forms of public contact.

Persons with Disabilities, Iowa Commission of - Rose Vasquez, administrator, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319; 515/242-6172 or 1-888-219-0471 (V/TTY)

The Commission of Persons with Disabilities, formerly known as the Governor's Committee for the Handicapped, was created by statute in 1965. It is affiliated with the President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities. The 24 member commission is appointed by the governor and eleven non-voting representatives from various state agencies serve ex-officio. Its principal function is to promote employment opportunities for people with disabilities throughout the state. The Commission sets policy and direction for the staff who comprise the Division of Persons with Disabilities within the Department of Human Rights. Effective October 1, 1991, the Governor designated the Division of Persons with Disabilities to operate the Iowa Client Assistance Program. The Division Administrator is appointed by the governor with Senate confirmation. The commission is mandated to:

1. Cooperate with all public and private agencies interested in the employment of persons with disabilities.
2. Cooperate with all agencies responsible for or interested in the rehabilitation and placement of persons with disabilities.
3. Encourage the organization of committees at the community level and work closely with such committees in promoting the employment of persons with disabilities.
4. Assist in developing employer acceptance of qualified workers who are persons with disabilities.
5. Inform persons with disabilities of specific facilities available in seeking employment.
6. Conduct such educational programs as members deem necessary.
7. Report annually to the governor and general assembly on commission activities and submit any recommendations believed necessary in promoting the employment of persons with disabilities.
8. Pursuant to section 216A.2, be responsible for budgetary and personnel decisions for the commission and division.