



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER # 94

Relating to the Creation of the Autism Advisory Council

WHEREAS, Wisconsin serves over 1,500 children with autism through the Children's Home and Community-Based Services Medicaid Waivers; and

WHEREAS, children with autism benefit from early and intensive treatment and have capabilities and competencies, and make a contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, families are the greatest resource for their children with autism and benefit from supports and services to meet their children's needs; and

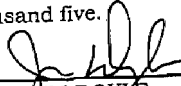
WHEREAS, family members and members of the community play a central role in enhancing the lives of children with autism; and

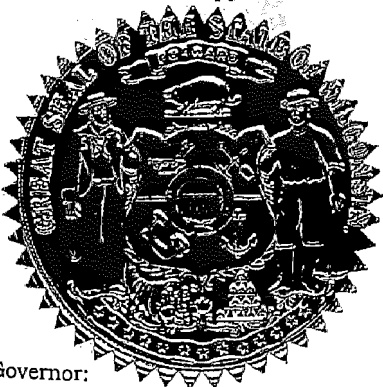
WHEREAS, the Department of Health and Family Services is responsible for administering these supports and services; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIM DOYLE, Governor of the State of Wisconsin by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of this State, and specifically by Wis. Stat. §14.019, do hereby:

1. Create the Autism Advisory Council ("Council"); and
2. Provide that the Governor shall make the final selections and respective appointments to the Council which shall consist of no more than fifteen (15) members; and
3. Provide that at least a majority of the Council be parents of children with autism; and
4. Provide that the remaining members of the Council may include the following individuals:
 - providers of services to children with autism;
 - local government officials;
 - persons with knowledge of the issues relating to autism; and
 - public members; and
5. Provide that the Council shall meet quarterly; and
6. Provide that the Council shall have the following mission:
 - To advise the Department of Health and Family Services on strategies for implementing statewide supports and services for children with autism; and
7. Direct the Department of Health and Family Services to assist the Council with administrative and support services.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this fifth day of April, in the year two thousand five.


JIM DOYLE
Governor



By the Governor:


Douglas LaFollette
Deputy Governor