

WHEREAS, meaningful solutions to Wisconsin's health problems can best be developed through an effective partnership involving close collaboration of official and voluntary efforts and participation of individuals and organizations; and

WHEREAS, effective health policy development and health planning requires active participation of representatives of the citizens of the state, both providers of services and consumers of services; and

WHEREAS, such policy development and planning requires an immediate organizational focus for identifying health problems in the state and recommending policies and programs to improve the health status of the population.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PATRICK J. LUCEY, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby order and direct that:

1. Executive Order No. 51 be replaced by this order.
2. There is created in the executive office a health policy council (herein referred to as "the council") with the members appointed by the governor. Members shall serve for staggered three-year terms and shall be chosen in such a way as to meet the requirements for a health planning advisory council in federal regulations. The council shall have the following functions:
 - (a) To assist the governor in the performance of executive review of health policy, health programs, and health projects in the state
 - (b) To identify Wisconsin's health needs, goals and priorities
 - (c) To coordinate, review and make recommendations concerning the state and areawide comprehensive health planning programs, federal categorical health programs, including serving as the advisory council the single state agency designated for health planning under P.L. 89-749.

The governor or his designee shall serve as chairman of the council. The work of the council shall be coordinated by a secretary of the council, appointed by the governor and serving at his pleasure.

3. Committees required to perform the functions of the council shall include members of the council and other persons appointed by the governor or his designee. In the case where advisory councils are mandated in federal or state health and health-related legislation, such advisory councils shall be committees of the health policy council, and shall be so constituted as to meet the requirements of the appropriate laws and regulations.

4. The division of health policy, a division attached to the department of administration under the provisions of s. 15.03 of the statutes, is hereby designated as the single state agency for the administration of the state's comprehensive health planning program. The activities of the division will be under the direction of the secretary to the council, as designated above, who shall serve as administrator of the division, and an executive assistant appointed by the governor and serving as his pleasure.
5. Every department, independent agency, and statutory council, and their officers and employees, shall cooperate with the staff of the division in those matters relating to the council's functions.

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 sixth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-three.

PATRICK J. LUCEY
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Secretary of State