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Purpose and Audience:

The purpose of this Informational Memo is to inform any interested Stakeholders of an opportunity to apply for membership on the Training Advisory Committee, an initiative of Senate Bill (SB) 19-238 Improve Wages and Accountability Home Care Workers.

Information:

On May 28, 2019 Governor Polis signed Senate Bill (SB) 19-238 into law. The bill requires that the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing and the Department of Public Health and Environment consult with stakeholders "to establish a process for reviewing and enforcing initial and ongoing training requirements" for home care agency employees. In addition, the bill requires the stakeholder group to "advise the Departments concerning the manner in which non-administrative employees will be notified of the compensation increases and minimum wage described in sections 25.5-6-1602 and 25.5-6-1603." [SB 19-238, 25.5-6-1604 Sections (1) and (2)]. The Departments of Health Care Policy and Financing and Public Health and Environment have established a Training Advisory Committee to perform the stakeholder engagement work outlined in the bill.

Charge of the Training Advisory Committee

Per the bill, the Committee shall:

- Review the current state of initial and ongoing training for home care agency employees

- Review the current enforcement practices for initial and ongoing training for home care agency employees
- Advise the Departments concerning the manner in which non-administrative employees will be notified of the compensation increases and minimum wage.
- Develop recommendations for future initiatives to be reviewed by the Departments
- Produce a report of its findings and recommendations by January 1, 2020

Composition of the Training Advisory Committee

Per the bill, the Committee will be composed of the following individuals:

- Consumer Advocacy Organizations
- Personal Care Workers
- Worker Organizations
- Home Care Agencies
- Disability Advocacy Organizations
- Senior Advocacy Organizations
- Children's Advocacy Organizations
- Members / Representatives of Members who receive Personal Care, Homemaker, or In-Home Support Services
- Representatives of State Departments

How to Apply for Membership on the Training Advisory Committee

The Departments of Health Care Policy and Financing and Public Health and Environment are seeking applications from the public for membership on the Training Advisory Committee. Applications will be accepted between July 1, 2019 and 5:00 p.m. July 31, 2019

To apply, please complete the [Senate Bill 19-238 Training Advisory Committee Application](#).

Attachment(s):

Senate Bill (SB) 19-238 Improve Wages and Accountability Home Care Workers

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