

**Final Amendments to 18VAC76-10-10 et seq.**  
**Regulations Governing the Health Practitioners' Intervention  
Program**

18VAC76-10-20. Organization of committee.

A. Except for the initial appointments, members shall be appointed for a term of four years and shall be eligible for reappointment for one additional four-year term. A member who is appointed to fill a vacancy for the remainder of an unexpired term shall be eligible for two full four-year terms. Terms of appointment shall begin on July 1 of each calendar year.

B. The initial appointees to the committee shall begin their terms on July 1, 1997, and shall be appointed as follows:

1. Two members shall serve for a term of one year, two members shall serve for a term of two years, and two members shall serve for a term of three years. All of the above shall be eligible for reappointment to two four-year terms.

2. One member shall serve for a term of four years and shall be eligible for reappointment to one four-year term.

C. Members of the committee shall not be current members of a health regulatory board within the department.

D. The committee shall elect a chairman and vice chairman for a one-year term ending June 30 of each calendar year.

E. The committee shall meet not less than once every two months and shall conduct all business according to Robert's Rules of Order. Four members shall constitute a quorum. The committee may adopt bylaws to govern its operations as it deems necessary to conduct its business and as consistent with law and regulations.

F. Except in the event of an emergency, any member who is unable to attend a scheduled meeting shall give notice to the program coordinator as soon as practical but no later than 48 hours prior to that scheduled meeting.

~~F~~ G. The director shall have the authority to remove a member and shall report such removal to the Board of Health Professions at its next scheduled meeting. Failure of any member to attend two successive meetings without reasonable excuse or failure to give notice as required in subsection F above shall constitute grounds for removal.

~~G~~ H. By December 31 of each calendar year, each health regulatory board within the department shall designate, in accordance with [§54.1-2400](#) (8) of the Code of Virginia, a liaison to the committee for a term of one year. Likewise, each board shall select an alternate to serve in the absence of the liaison.

18VAC76-10-65. Authority of the chairperson of the committee.

The chairperson of the committee, following consultation with and briefing by the program coordinator, shall have the authority to act, including immediately vacating a stay, in cases where a program participant has been granted a stay or has been placed on probation, or both, by order of a health regulatory board and information has been received that a program participant no longer satisfies the conditions of [§54.1-2516](#) C of the Code of Virginia. Further, the chairperson

may act on behalf of the committee when a scheduled meeting is cancelled due to failure to convene a quorum.

*I certify that this regulation is full, true, and correctly dated.*

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