

**4695.1000 COMMISSIONER-INITIATED IDENTIFICATION.**

Subpart 1. **Determination by commissioner of need for regulation.** When the commissioner, council, other groups, or individuals have reasons to suspect that an occupational group exists or is emerging but has not applied for credentialing and the question of regulation should be addressed the commissioner shall determine whether the need to regulate the group should be investigated. The determination shall be based upon evidence that raises the question of the need for occupational regulation. Such evidence may be derived from sources that include, but are not limited to court decisions, data collected by state and national regulatory agencies, federal law or rule, and information submitted by legislators, government or private agencies, or the public.

Subp. 2. **Collection of data.** The commissioner may direct staff to collect data substantially equivalent to that on the questionnaire for evaluation in the manner specified in parts 4695.1300 to 4695.1600.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 214.13*

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