

256B.4912 HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED WAIVERS; PROVIDERS AND PAYMENT.

Subdivision 1. **Provider qualifications.** For the home and community-based waivers providing services to seniors and individuals with disabilities, the commissioner shall establish:

- (1) agreements with enrolled waiver service providers to ensure providers meet qualifications defined in the waiver plans;
- (2) regular reviews of provider qualifications; and
- (3) processes to gather the necessary information to determine provider qualifications.

By July 2010, staff that provide direct contact, as defined in section 245C.02, subdivision 11, that are employees of waiver service providers must meet the requirements of chapter 245C prior to providing waiver services and as part of ongoing enrollment. Upon federal approval, this requirement must also apply to consumer-directed community supports.

Subd. 2. **Rate-setting methodologies.** The commissioner shall establish statewide rate-setting methodologies that meet federal waiver requirements for home and community-based waiver services for individuals with disabilities. The rate-setting methodologies must abide by the principles of transparency and equitability across the state. The methodologies must involve a uniform process of structuring rates for each service and must promote quality and participant choice.

History: 2009 c 79 art 8 s 69