Mission Statement

The mission of the Governor's Commission on Aging is to facilitate and enhance the quality of life and services for all Nevada seniors through partnership with the Aging and Disability Services Division and other entities.

Vision Statement

Become a visible and informed organization, establish priority of needs for elder Nevadans, and advocate for programs and services to meet those needs through collaboration and education.

NEVADA COMMISSION ON AGING

NRS 427A.032 Creation; appointment and terms of members; vacancies; removal.

- 1. The Nevada Commission on Aging, consisting of 11 voting members and four or more nonvoting members, is hereby created within the Aging and Disability Services Division of the Department.
 - 2. The Governor shall appoint as voting members of the Commission:
 - (a) Two persons who are members of the governing body of a county.
 - (b) Two persons who are members of the governing body of a city.
- (c) Seven persons who have experience with or an interest in and knowledge of the problems of and services for the aging.
- → At least six persons appointed as voting members must be 55 years of age or older.
 - 3. The following persons shall serve as nonvoting members of the Commission:
 - (a) The Director of the Department, who shall serve as Chair of the Commission.
 - (b) The Administrator of the Aging and Disability Services Division.
- (c) One member of the Senate and one member of the Assembly appointed by the Legislative Commission with appropriate regard for their experience with and knowledge of matters relating to older persons.
 - (d) Such other representatives of state government as may be designated by the Governor.
- 4. The members designated in paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection 3 may designate alternates within their respective offices to attend any meeting of the Commission in their place.
- 5. After the initial terms, the Governor shall appoint each voting member of the Commission to a term of 2 years. No member may serve after the expiration of his or her term unless the member is appointed to serve another term. No person may be appointed to serve a full term as a voting member more than twice. No person who serves as a voting member for more than 1 year of a term to which another person was appointed may be appointed to serve a full term more than once.
- 6. The position of a member of the Commission is vacated upon his or her loss of any of the qualifications required for the appointment and in that event the vacancy must be filled for the unexpired term in the manner provided for the original appointment.
- 7. The Governor may remove a member appointed by the Governor to the Commission for malfeasance in office or neglect of duty. Absence from two consecutive meetings of the Commission constitutes good and sufficient cause for removal of a member by the Governor.

(Added to NRS by 1983, 543; A 1989, 206)

NRS 427A.034 Meetings; quorum; regulations; subcommittees and advisory committees.

- 1. The Commission may meet at least once each calendar quarter and at other times on the call of the Chair or a majority of its members.
 - 2. A majority of the voting members of the Commission constitutes a quorum for the transaction of all business.
 - 3. The Commission shall adopt regulations for its own government.
- 4. The Chair may appoint subcommittees and advisory committees composed of the members of the Commission, former members of the Commission and members of the general public who have experience with or knowledge of matters relating to older persons to consider specific problems or other matters that are related to and within the scope of the functions of the Commission. A subcommittee or advisory committee appointed pursuant to this subsection must not contain more than five members. To the extent practicable, the members of such a subcommittee or advisory committee must be representative of the various geographic areas and ethnic groups of this state.

(Added to NRS by 1983, 544; A 1999, 1641)

NRS 427A.036 Compensation of members and former members; payment of expenses; expenditures.

- 1. Each voting member of the Commission is entitled to receive a salary of not more than \$80 per day, as fixed by the Commission, while engaged in the business of the Commission.
- 2. While engaged in the business of the Commission, each member of the Commission appointed pursuant to subsection 2 or paragraph (a), (b) or (d) of subsection 3 of NRS 427A.032, each former member of the Commission and each member of the general public appointed to serve on a subcommittee or advisory committee of the Commission pursuant to subsection 4 of NRS 427A.034, and each employee of the Commission is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.
 - 3. The Commission may expend in accordance with law all money made available for its use.
- 4. Except during a regular or special session of the Legislature, each legislative member of the Commission is entitled to receive the compensation provided for a majority of the members of the Legislature during the first 60 days of the preceding regular session for each day or portion of a day during which the legislative member attends a meeting of the Commission or is otherwise engaged in the business of the Commission, plus the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally. The salaries and expenses of the legislative members of the Commission must be paid from the Legislative Fund.

(Added to NRS by 1983, 544; A 1985, 422; 1989, 207, 1714; 1999, 1641)

NRS 427A.038 Powers and duties.

- 1. The Commission shall:
- (a) Determine and evaluate the needs of the older people of this state.
- (b) Seek ways to avoid unnecessary duplication of services for older persons by public and private organizations in Nevada.
- (c) Establish priorities for the work of the Division according to the most pressing needs of older persons as determined by the Commission.
- (d) Promote programs that provide community-based services necessary to enable a frail elderly person, to the fullest extent possible, to remain in his or her home and be an integral part of his or her family and community.
 - 2. The Commission may:
 - (a) Establish priorities for programs funded under the Older Americans Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. §§ 3001 et seq.).
 - (b) Review and approve the State Plan for Providing Services to Meet the Needs of Older Persons.
 - (c) Gather and disseminate information in the field of aging.
- (d) Conduct hearings, conferences and special studies on the problems of older persons and on programs which serve them.
- (e) Evaluate existing programs for older persons and recommend needed changes in those programs and propose new programs which would more effectively and economically serve the needs of older persons.
 - (f) Evaluate any proposed legislation which would affect older persons.
 - (g) Recommend to the Legislature any appropriate legislation.
- (h) Coordinate and assist the efforts of public and private organizations which serve the needs of older persons, especially in the areas of education, employment, health, housing, welfare and recreation.

(Added to NRS by 1983, 544; A 1987, 975; 1989, 207)