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**Sponsor:** Public Health

**Meeting Date:** 6/2/2026

**Title:** Appointments to the Community Health Services Advisory Committee

**File Number:** 2026-150

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**Background and Rationale:**

The Saint Paul - Ramsey County Community Health Services Advisory Committee (CHSAC) advises the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners, Saint Paul Mayor, and Saint Paul City Council on issues related to public health. The CHSAC members attend monthly meetings, which consist of presentations and discussions focused on current public health issues, which may include:

- Identifying priority public health issues based on data, community engagement, professional knowledge and lived experiences. These priority issues provide guidance related to programs and services, action teams and budgetary allocation.
- Working with the department on the development and implementation of the Strategic Plan and Community Health Improvement Plan.
- Serving on department committees such as the Ethics Committee, or panels to review grant applications, public health award recipients, etc.
- Assisting the department in various stages of interview process to fill vacant staff positions.
- Connecting the department to communities, resources, data and insights related to a current or upcoming issue.
- Providing policy recommendations to elected officials on public health issues, such as youth tobacco use and breastfeeding friendly workplaces.

CHSAC has a total of 13 county-appointed seats. Appointment terms are two years and staggered 50% each year.

There are eight at-large vacancies on the CHSAC. Recruitment through the county's open appointment process resulted in seven applications. Two applicants did not qualify as they were not residents of Ramsey County. On March 16, 2026, five applications were forwarded to the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners for review and recommendations. Additionally, the commissioners held interviews with each applicant, which gave the commissioners the opportunity to engage with and learn more about each applicant beyond just the review of the online applications. On April 1 - 2, 2026, three commissioners interviewed the applicants for final recommendation.

**Recommendation:**

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

Appoint the following individuals to the Community Health Services Advisory Committee for terms to begin June 23, 2026, and end June 27, 2028:

District 1    Abdulkadir Mohamed  
District 5    Krista Hutchinson - Incumbent  
District 5    Kayla Nance - Incumbent  
District 2    Alicia House - Incumbent  
District 6    Katherine Mejicano

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Jebens-Singh, seconded by Commissioner Xiong.  
Motion passed.

Aye: - 7: Jebens-Singh, McGuire, McMurtrey, Miller, Moran, Ortega, and Xiong

By:   
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Jason Yang, Chief Clerk - County Board