

1 **Appointment of Chairperson for the Advisory Committee of the**
2 **Purchasing from People with Disabilities Program**
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4 **Background**
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6 Section 122.0057(a) of the Texas Human Resources Code authorizes TWC’s three-member
7 Commission (Commission) to form an advisory committee to help the Commission establish
8 program performance goals and criteria for certifying Community Rehabilitation Programs (CRPs)
9 to participate in the Purchasing from People with Disabilities (PPD) program.
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11 Section 122.0057 dictates that the advisory committee be composed of 13 members appointed by
12 TWC, as follows:

- 13 • four representatives from CRPs that participate in the PPD program
 - 14 • four representatives from organizations that advocate for individuals with disabilities
 - 15 • four individuals with disabilities, two of whom are employed by a CRP that participates in
16 the PPD program
 - 17 • the executive commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission or his or her
18 designee
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20 Section 122.0057(d) requires the Commission to appoint an advisory committee chairperson from
21 among the members serving on the committee. When the role of chairperson is vacant, staff invites
22 current PPD members to submit their interest in serving as chair. Staff gathers information about
23 each interested member and considers additional factors such as opportunity for each of the groups
24 represented by the committee to serve as chairperson and experience of each interested member in
25 performing similar leadership roles.
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27 Following the resignation of the current PPD advisory committee chair, PPD staff surveyed
28 committee members to determine which members were interested in being considered for
29 appointment as chairperson. Three members expressed interest in serving, one representing
30 advocacy organizations and two representing CRPs.
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32 **Decision Points**
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34 Staff seeks direction on Commission appointment of Linda Logan, Senior Public Policy Analyst
35 with the Texas Council on Developmental Disabilities as Chairperson of the PPD Advisory
36 Committee. Ms. Logan represents advocacy organizations on the Committee.
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38 Staff also seeks direction on appointment of Ms. Logan to the office of chairperson for a period
39 beginning January 1, 2021 and ending December 4, 2021.