

AGENDA



Thursday, September 23, 2010

**Health and Human Services
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**
Item No. 27

Subject: Approve designation of Michael Frederick Kelley, M.D., as an alternate health authority for the Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department, effective October 1, 2010.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

For More Information: David Lurie, HHSD Director, 972-5010; Philip Huang, M.D., M.P.H. at 972-5855, Charles Kemp, Agenda Coordinator, at 972-5023.

Prior Council Action: March 25, 2010 - Approval of an additional designated Health Authority Alternates. Approved designation of Health Authority and two alternate health authority designees, on March 25, 2010.

Dr. Philip Huang, M.D., M.P.H., has been appointed to serve as Health Authority for the term April 7, 2010 through April 6, 2012. With the approval of David Lurie, HHSD Director, Dr. Philip Huang has requested that Dr. Michael Frederick Kelley be designated as an alternate health authority.

Under state law (Texas Health and Safety Code Section 121.0331), the health authority may delegate any power or duty imposed on the health authority to a properly qualified physician to act while the health authority is absent or incapacitated. The physician designated by the health authority must meet certain requirements including the following:

- Meet license and residence requirements;
- Be appointed as a designee in the same manner as the health authority; and
- File the Oath of Office, executed by a duly appointed Notary Public, with the Texas Department of State Health Services

The delegation is effective during the term of the health authority making the delegation; the health authority is responsible for the acts of the physician to whom the powers have been delegated; and the entity that appoints the health authority must have procedures in place to prevent duplication of authority and provide notice to the HHSD Director when authority is transferred. HHSD has had a "Delegation of Back-Up Health Authority" in effect since July 1, 2000.

ELIGIBLE APPOINTEE

With the approval of David Lurie, HHSD Director, Dr. Philip Huang, current Health Authority, has requested that Dr. Michael Frederick Kelley be designated as an alternate health authority. Dr. Kelley is currently serving as the Communicable Disease, STD/TB Medical Director for the Austin/Travis County HHSD. He may serve until the expiration of the Health Authority's term on April 6, 2012.

Dr. Kelley received his Master of Public Health from The University of Texas Health Science Center, Houston, School of Public Health, in May, 1988, with a concentration area of disease control. He received his M.D. from the University of California, San Diego, School of Medicine, in 1978, and his AB degree in Biomedical Science, with Distinction in General Scholarship, from the University of California, Berkeley, in 1974. His medical education included a residency at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center, Worcester, Massachusetts, 1978 – 1981; Family Practice. He holds board certification from the American Board of Family Practice and American Board of Preventive Medicine.

A current curriculum vitae is attached for the alternate health authority. All appointment documents required by the Texas Department of State Health Services have been completed.