

1 hereinafter referred to as the director. The director shall
2 have professional training in the field of social work,
3 education, public health, and other related fields; extensive
4 direct experience in programs or services related to persons
5 suffering from diabetes; and recent experience in a supervisory,
6 consultative, or administrative position. The director shall be
7 nominated and appointed by the governor without regard to
8 chapters 76 and 89. The director shall be included in any
9 benefit program generally applicable to the officers and
10 employees of the State.

11 **§ -2 General functions, duties, and powers of the**
12 **director.** The director shall have the following principal
13 functions, duties, and powers:

- 14 (1) Coordinate efforts between State agencies including
15 the department of health, State medical facilities,
16 and other stakeholders.
- 17 (2) Be a conduit for cooperation and coordination between
18 agencies and the public to make progress in the fight
19 against diabetes.
- 20 (3) Serve as an advocate for diabetes programs statewide.



- 1 (4) Promote prevention through various means, including
2 but not limited to early awareness programs and
3 healthy lunches in schools.
- 4 (5) Report regularly to the governor regarding updates and
5 reports on all matters of diabetes policy and programs
6 throughout the State, and on the status of diabetes
7 prevention.
- 8 (6) Make recommendations to interested agencies, the
9 governor, and the legislature as to prevention and
10 awareness programs.
- 11 (7) Serve as a media liaison for the State's diabetes
12 awareness and coordination efforts.
- 13 (8) Be a presence in local media to remind the public as
14 often as possible of the dangers of pre-diabetes and
15 diabetes.
- 16 (9) Administer funds allocated for the diabetes prevention
17 and control program; and apply for, receive, and
18 disburse grants and donations from all sources for
19 diabetes-related programs and services;
- 20 (10) Adopt, amend, and repeal rules pursuant to chapter 91
21 as necessary to effectuate the purposes of this
22 chapter;



1 (11) Employ and retain such staff as may be necessary for
2 the purposes of this chapter, in conformity with
3 chapter 76; and

4 (12) Contract for or grant such services as may be
5 necessary for the purposes of this chapter, including
6 master contract with other State agencies, and
7 purchase of service agreements with appropriate
8 agencies."

9 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.

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Description:

Permanently establishes through codification the department of health's diabetes prevention and control program; designates that the program shall have a director who shall lead the State's fight against diabetes.

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