

Human Services Finance Committee

Chair: Rep. Mohamud Noor

Thursday, March 16, 2022 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM

- I. **HF1436 (Vang)** - Programs to address health and human services workforce shortage expanded and established, reports required, and money appropriated.
 - Testifiers:
 - i. **Sue Abderholden:** Executive Director, NAMI Minnesota
 - ii. **Dr. Abigail Schnaith:** Chief Pediatrics Resident at Masonic Children's Hospital, Department of Pediatrics, University of Minnesota Medical School.

- II. **HF1384 (Hicks)** - Notice of medical assistance program required for employed persons with disabilities, and medical assistance eligibility requirements modified for employed persons with disabilities.
 - Testifiers:
 - i. **Rob Wudlick:** Disability Advocate, MA-EPD recipient
 - ii. **Jillian Nelson:** Disability Advocate, MA-EPD recipient
 - iii. **Jason Blomquist:** Disability Advocate, MA-EPD recipient

- III. **HF1172 (Edelson)** - Health and human services background study consideration of juvenile court records modified, disqualification periods modified, set aside allowed for disqualification based on conduct or convictions in individual's juvenile record, electronic background check reconsideration request process created, and money appropriated.
 - Testifiers:
 - i. **Professor Roy Kammer:** Chair of Data Committee, MN State University - Mankato
 - ii. **JP (Jeff) Powell:** Founder, MN Hope Dealerz
 - iii. **Max Page:** Senior Assistant Hennepin County Attorney

- IV. **HF2544 (Baker)** - Payment rates established for substance use disorder treatment services with medications for opioid use disorder.
 - Testifiers:
 - i. **Brian Sowada:** Minnesota Regional Director, Behavioral Health Group

- V. **HF1845 (Wiener)** - Wellness in the Woods funding provided, and money appropriated.
 - Testifiers:
 - i. **Jode Freyholtz-London:** Executive Director & Founder
 - ii. **Monica Lynn Yeadon:** Operations & Communications Coordinator
 - iii. **Victor Obisakin:** Peer Program Director & Legislative Liaison