## **Financial Management and Operations**

Office of the Chief Compliance Officer

<u>Appeals and Regulations Division</u>

## **Core Functions/Services:**

- Conduct hearings and issue final orders in public assistance appeals. Approximately 8,900 administrative hearings are conducted per year.
  - o In Fiscal Year 2010, the appeals types were as follows:
    - Medical Assistance and/or General Assistance Medical Care 3,783 Appeals
    - Food Support 1,547 Appeals
    - MinnesotaCare 1,090 Appeals
    - Other Cash Benefits 745 Appeals
    - Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) 687 Appeals
    - Social Services 548 Appeals
    - Child Care Assistance 297 Appeals
    - Vulnerable Adults 211 Appeals
- Conduct maltreatment and disqualification hearings arising under the Human Services Licensing Act and issue final orders.
- Provide fiscal management for Department contracts, and legal review and support for contract formation.
- Advise the final decision maker and issue final orders in Licensing contested cases.
- Maintain the Commissioner's Delegations of Authority.
- Provide contested case hearings case management for long-term care rate appeals, and resolve disputes with hospitals and physicians related to inpatient hospital services.
- Provide support for administrative rule-writing.

## **Population Served:**

Because the Appeals Office supports all Department of Human Services (DHS) policy areas, virtually all agency clients are served directly or indirectly.

## **Funding:**

FY11 \$2.6 million General Fund \$370,000 HCAF \$100,000 TANF

\$133,000 Special Revenue (Vulnerable Adult Appeals)

Number of staff involved: 37