

## Behavioral Health Oversight Council Appointments 2025-2026

### Legislative Appointments (updated 11/12/2025)

<b>Appointing Authority 2025- 2026</b>	<b>Council Membership Designation by Statute</b>	<b>Appointments 2025-2026</b>
<b>Governor Lamont (4)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) General hospital or specialty psychiatric hospital</li> <li>2) General hospital or specialty psychiatric hospital</li> <li>3) Parents of children with BH disorder or child protection or juvenile justice services from DCF</li> <li>4) Parents of children with BH disorder or child protection or juvenile justice services from DCF</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1)</li> <li>2) <b>Allison Matthews-Wilson</b></li> <li>3) <b>Howard Drescher</b></li> <li>4)</li> </ul>
<b>President Pro Tempore (4)</b> <b>Sen. Martin M. Looney</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Parent of child with BH disorder</li> <li>2) Child in child protection or JJ services from DCF</li> <li>3) Expertise in health policy &amp; evaluation</li> <li>4) Advocate for children with BH disorders</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) <b>Dr. Alice Forrester</b></li> <li>2)</li> <li>3) <b>Steven Zuckerman</b></li> <li>4)</li> </ul>
<b>Speaker of the House (4)</b> <b>Rep. Matt Ritter</b> 1st District Hartford	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) General hospital or specialty psychiatric hospital</li> <li>2) General hospital or specialty psychiatric hospital</li> <li>3) Adult with psychiatric disability</li> <li>4) Advocate for adults with psychiatric disabilities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) <b>Beth Klink</b></li> <li>2) <b>Tobias Wasser M.D.</b></li> <li>3) <b>Kelly Phenix (Adult Rep)</b></li> <li>4) <b>Deena Tampi</b></li> </ul>
<b>Senate Majority Leader (2)</b> <b>Sen. Bob Duff</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Adult with SA disorder or advocate for adults with SA</li> <li>2) School-based health Center representative</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) <b>Gent Daniels</b></li> <li>2) <b>Pending</b></li> </ul>

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<b>Senate Minority Leader (2)</b> <b>Sen. Stephen Harding</b>	1) provider of Community-based BH services for children 2) member of Medicaid Managed Care Advisory Council	<b>1) Thomas King</b> <b>2) Theddeus Iheanacho, MD</b>
<b>House Majority Leader (2)</b> <b>Rep. Jason Rojas</b>	1) PCP serving children 2) Child psychiatrist in HUSKY Plan	<b>1) Catherine Wiley</b> <b>2) Cristine McDermott</b>
<b>House Minority Leader (2)</b> <b>Rep. Vincent Candelora</b>	1) Provider of Community-based BH services for adults 2) Children's Residential Treatment provider	<b>1) Elizabeth Peralta</b> <b>2) Hector Glynn</b>
<b>Commissioner of DMHAS or designee</b>		Commissioner
		<b>1) Open (Adult Rep.)</b> <b>2) Maureen O'Neill-Davis</b> <b>3) Sabrina Trocchi</b> <b>4) Bree Sanca (Home Health Agency)</b>

## General Assembly Committee Appointments 2025-2026

Committee	Committee Members 2025-2026	Appointments 2025-2026
<b>Public Health</b>	<p><b>1) Sen. Saud Anwar</b></p> <p><b>2) Rep. Cristin McCarthy Vahey</b></p> <p><b>Ranking Member:</b> <b>Sen. Heather Somers</b></p> <p><b>Rep. Nicole Klarides-Ditria</b></p>	<p><b>1) Heather Gates</b></p> <p><b>1) Rep. Mike Demicco</b></p> <p><b>1) Marie Mormile-Mehler</b></p> <p><b>1) Bollepalli Subbarao, MD</b></p>
<b>Human Services</b>	<p><b>1) Sen. Matt Lesser 9th District</b></p> <p><b>2) Rep. Jillian Gilchrest 18<sup>th</sup> District</b></p> <p><b>Ranking Members</b></p> <p><b>1) Sen. Jason Perillo 21<sup>st</sup> District</b></p> <p><b>1) Rep. Jay Case 63rd District</b></p>	<p><b>1) Rev. Robyn Anderson</b></p> <p><b>1) Terri DiPietro, Middlesex Hospital</b></p> <p><b>1) Alexa Olimpio</b></p> <p><b>1) Michelle Anderson</b></p>
<b>Appropriations</b>	<p><b>Chairs:</b></p> <p><b>1) Sen. Cathy Osten</b></p> <p><b>2) Rep. Toni Walker</b></p> <p><b>Ranking Members :</b></p> <p><b>1) Sen. Eric Berthel 30<sup>2nd</sup> District</b></p> <p><b>1) Rep. Tammy Nuccio 53rd District</b></p>	<p><b>1) Dr. Steven Girelli</b></p> <p><b>1) Jeff Vanderploeg</b></p> <p><b>1) Janine Sullivan-Wiley</b></p> <p><b>1) Rebecca Moore</b></p>

## State Agency Appointments: Ex-Officio (10)

### Request appointments from newly appointed Commissioners

<b>State Agency</b>	<b>Appointments 2025 -2026</b>
Department of Social Services (1)	<a href="#">William Halsey</a>
Department of Developmental Services (1)	<a href="#">Kathryn Rock-Burns</a>
Department of Children & Families (1)	<a href="#">Dr. Stephney Springer</a>
Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services (1)	<a href="#">Robert Haswell</a>
Office of Policy & Management (1)	<a href="#">Tara Viens</a>
Office of the Comptroller (1)	<a href="#">Sandra Czunas</a>
Judicial Branch (1)	<a href="#">Brian Delude</a>
State Department of Education (1)	<a href="#">Brian Klimkiewicz</a>
Department of Public Health	<a href="#">Amy Soto</a>
Office of Healthcare Advocate	<a href="#">Sean King</a>

### Ex-Officio members:

1. One or more consumers appointed by the Chairpersons of the Council
2. One representative from the Administrative Service organization
3. One from each of the Medicaid managed care organizations