

90 advisory committee.

91 (b) The program shall be funded only with money from the Adult Autism Treatment  
92 Account.

93 (3) (a) An individual may apply for a grant from the program by submitting to ~~§~~ → [the  
94 department information documenting to the satisfaction of the department that the individual is  
95 a qualified individual:] a qualified provider the information specified by the department under  
95a Subsection 26-67-204(5). ← ~~§~~

96 (b) As funding permits, the department shall award a grant from the program on behalf  
97 of an applicant in accordance with criteria established by the department, in collaboration with  
98 the advisory committee, by rule made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah  
99 Administrative Rulemaking Act.

100 (c) A grant shall:

101 (i) be for a specific amount;

102 (ii) cover a specific period, not to exceed five years; and

103 (iii) be disbursed incrementally, if appropriate.

104 (d) The department shall transmit a grant awarded on behalf of an applicant to a  
105 qualified provider designated by the applicant.

106 (4) A qualified provider that receives a grant for the treatment of a qualified individual  
107 shall:

108 (a) use the grant only for treatment of the qualified individual;

109 (b) submit any reports that are required by the department; and

110 (c) notify the department within seven days if:

111 (i) the qualified individual:

112 (A) has not received treatment from the qualified provider for 10 consecutive days;

113 (B) is no longer receiving treatment from the qualified provider; or

114 (C) is no longer a qualified individual; or

115 (ii) the qualified provider is no longer a qualified provider.

116 (5) A qualified provider that receives a grant for the treatment of a qualified individual  
117 shall refund any amount to the department on a prorated basis for each day that:

118 (a) the qualified provider is no longer a qualified provider;

119 (b) the individual is no longer a qualified individual; or

120 (c) the qualified provider does not provide services to a qualified individual.

121 Section 5. Section **26-67-202** is enacted to read:

122 **26-67-202. Adult Autism Treatment Program Advisory Committee -- Membership**  
 123 **-- Procedures -- Compensation-- Duties -- Expenses.**

124 (1) The Adult Autism Treatment Advisory Committee created in Section 26-1-7 shall  
 125 consist of ~~§~~ **[five]** ~~six~~ ~~←§~~ members appointed by the governor to two-year terms as follows:

126 (a) one individual who:

127 (i) has a doctorate degree in psychology;

128 (ii) is a licensed behavior analyst practicing in the state; and

129 (iii) has treated adults with an autism spectrum disorder for at least three years;

130 (b) one individual who is:

131 (i) employed by the department; and

132 (ii) has professional experience with the treatment of autism spectrum disorder; ~~§~~ **[and]**

132a ~~←§~~

133 (c) three individuals who have firsthand experience with autism spectrum disorders and  
 134 the effects, diagnosis, treatment, and rehabilitation of autism spectrum disorders, including:

135 (i) family members of an adult with an autism spectrum disorder;

136 (ii) representatives of an association that advocates for adults with an autism spectrum  
 137 disorder; and

138 (iii) specialists or professionals who work with adults with an autism spectrum

139 disorder ~~§~~ **[:] ; and**

139a **(d) one individual who is ~~§~~ :**

139a1 **(i) ~~←§~~ a health insurance professional ~~§~~ **[and]****

139a2 **(ii) holds a Doctor of Medicine or Doctor of Philosophy degree, with professional**  
 139a3 **experience relating to the treatment of autism spectrum disorder; and**

139af **(iii) ~~←§~~ has a knowledge of autism**

139b **benefits and therapy that are typically covered by the health insurance industry. ~~←§~~**

140 (2) (a) Notwithstanding Subsection (1), the governor shall, at the time of appointment  
 141 or reappointment, adjust the length of terms to ensure the terms of members are staggered so  
 142 that approximately half of the advisory committee is appointed every year.

143 (b) If a vacancy occurs in the membership of the advisory committee, the governor may  
 144 appoint a replacement for the unexpired term.

145 (3) (a) The advisory committee shall annually elect a chair from its membership.

146 (b) A majority of the advisory committee constitutes a quorum at any meeting and, if a  
 147 quorum exists, the action of the majority of members present is the action of the advisory  
 148 committee.

149 (4) The advisory committee shall meet as necessary to:

150 (a) advise the department regarding implementation of the program;

151 (b) make recommendations to the department and the Legislature for improving the