§ 481-d. William B. Hoyt Memorial children and family trust fund advisory board. 1. There is hereby established in the department, a William B. Hoyt Memorial children and family trust fund advisory board. The board shall meet regularly for the purpose of advising and making recommendations to the department in developing program standards relating to the establishment of family violence, including intergenerational family violence, prevention and service programs, developing requests for proposals and evaluating the effectiveness of funded programs. The members of the board shall receive no compensation for their services, but shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses incurred during the performance of their duties.

2. The board shall consist of thirteen members to be appointed by the governor, two of whom shall be appointed upon the recommendation of the speaker of the assembly, one of whom shall be appointed upon the recommendation of the minority leader of the assembly, two of whom shall be appointed upon the recommendation of the temporary president of the senate, and one of whom shall be appointed upon the recommendation of the minority leader of the senate. Members of the board shall be appointed for a term of three years. The governor shall designate one member to serve as chairman of the board. To the maximum extent possible members shall be chosen to represent equally those knowledgeable in, concerned with or committed to the field of domestic violence and/or child abuse. Members of the board may be chosen from groups including but not limited to: local social services districts; local youth boards or youth bureaus; child abuse and neglect task forces; statewide coalitions against domestic violence; alcoholism services; public agencies, not-for-profit corporations and educational institutions concerned with or providing professional training in family violence and child welfare services; family violence self-help and advocacy groups; the legal, social work, mental health, medical, clergy, judicial and law enforcement professions; groups dealing with services to the abused elderly; other professionals that provide family violence services and other concerned individuals or organizations, including parents or guardians of children who were or are in receipt of services funded pursuant to this article.