

**15-52-04. Duties of council.**

1. The advisory council, in consultation with the school of medicine and health sciences and the other agencies, associations, and institutions represented on the advisory council, shall study and make recommendations regarding the strategic plan, programs, and facilities of the school of medicine and health sciences.
2. Biennially, the advisory council shall submit a report, together with its recommendations, to the agencies, associations, and institutions represented on the advisory council, to the university of North Dakota, and to the legislative council.
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  - a. The report must describe the advisory council's recommendations regarding the strategic plan, programs, and facilities of the school of medicine and health sciences as developed under subsection 1. The recommendations for implementing strategies through the school of medicine and health sciences or other agencies and institutions must:
    - (1) Address the health care needs of the people of the state; and
    - (2) Provide information regarding the state's health care workforce needs.
  - b. The recommendations required under subdivision a may address:
    - (1) Medical education and training;
    - (2) The recruitment and retention of physicians and other health care professionals;
    - (3) Factors influencing the practice environment for physicians and other health care professionals;
    - (4) Access to health care;
    - (5) Patient safety;
    - (6) The quality of health care and the efficiency of its delivery; and
    - (7) Financial challenges in the delivery of health care.
4. The council may consult with any individual or entity in performing its duties under this section.