
**Division of Public and Behavioral Health
Palliative Care and Quality of Life Council
AGENDA**

DATE: Thursday, March 18, 2021 TIME: 3:30 P.M.

Meeting Locations:

**This meeting will be held via teleconference only. Pursuant to Governor Sisolak's March 22, 2020, Declaration of Emergency Directive 006, the requirement contained in NRS 241.023(1)(b) that there be a physical location is suspended in order to mitigate the possible exposure or transmission of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Accordingly, all members of the public must participate by using the following:*

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- 1.) Call to Order and Roll call – Chair Veneta Lepera, BA, BSN, RN

Members:

Marilyn Jeanne Hesterlee, Council Administrator

Veneta Lepera, BA, BSN, RN, Council Chair

Kim Anderson, Council Vice-Chair

Mary-Ann Brown, RN, MSN, CHPCA, GCHCE HEC-C

Marie (Phyllis) Conner, BSN, RN CHPN

Kelly Conright, MD

Melissa St. Jean, MSW

Terri Hanlon, MD

Patricia Pollina, APRN. ACHPN, NP-PC

Robin M. Tejada

Ex-officio Members:

Tom McCoy, JD
Lucille Walker
Patricia Polina, APRN, ACHPN, NP-C
Nathan Orme

2) **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Because there is no physical location for this meeting, public testimony under this agenda item may be presented by computer, phone or written comment. Due to time considerations, each individual offering public comment will be limited to not more than **three** minutes.

3) Approval of Meeting Minutes from November 19, 2020 **Action Item**

4) Council Recommendations to Nevada Schools of Medicine and Nursing to adopt Palliative Care curriculum as well as residencies and clinical rotations. Written letter to be mailed with DHHS support as well as posted on the council web site. – **Action item Dr. Hanlon, Patti Pollina**

5) Council Recommendations to Nevada Palliative Care clinicians encouraging enhanced educational emphasis on ethnic, cultural, and psychological aspects of Palliative Care (PC). Written letter to be mailed to licensed clinicians practicing in PC and Hospice. - **Action item**

6) Establish a minimum of an annual review of the information on the Palliative Care and Quality of Life (PCQLC) web site within DHHS for accuracy/updates/changes by the PCQLC members during open meeting. Proposal to review at first meeting of each new calendar year. **Action Item**

7) Review for posting on PCQLC acknowledgment/gratitude letter to Senator Joyce Woodhouse for drafting SB136 that established the Palliative Care and Quality of Life Council. **Action Item. Tom McCoy**

8) Formulate proposal for next legislative session that provides estimate of funding needed to establish a biannual Palliative Care Consortium hosted by the PCQLC for NV in the month of November to coincide with National Palliative Care Month. **Action Item -- Tom McCoy**

9) Legislative horizon for Palliative Care potential legislative items that impact Palliative Care teams
Informational -- Tom McCoy / M.J. Hesterlee

10) Funding and Networking with other Nevada councils NRS 232.355; NRS 232.1857; NRS 232.4858 **Informational Item - Patti Pollina / Kim Anderson / Veneta Lepera**

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- 11) Discussion and possible approval of a Frequently Asked Questions list on the Psychological and Social Impact of COVID-19 on Palliative Care Patients addressing issues both during and after COVID-19, to be posted on the PCQLC website. **Action Item**
Melissa St. Jean / Marie Conner / Mary-Ann Brown

12) PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. (Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item until scheduled on an agenda for a later meeting) Because there is no physical location for this meeting, public testimony under this agenda item may be presented by phone or written comment. Due to time considerations, each individual offering public comment will be limited to not more than three minutes.

13) Adjournment

Veneta Lepera – Chair

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