

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

DATE: Thursday, July 15, 2021 TIME: 3:30 P.M.

Meeting Locations:

Division of Public and Behavioral Health Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance 727 Fairview Drive, Suite E Carson City, NV	Division of Public and Behavioral Health Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance 4220 Maryland Parkway, Building A, Suite 810 Las Vegas, NV
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Note to all members: Chair Veneta Lepera will be calling on different members for updates.

Note: Some board members may attend in Las Vegas. Agenda items may be taken out of order, combined for consideration, and or removed from the agenda at the chairperson’s discretion.

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
- Patricia Pollina, APRN. ACHPN, NP-PC
- Robin M. Tejada

Ex-officio Members:

Tom McCoy, JD

Lucille Walker

Nathan Orme

1) **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public testimony under this agenda item may be presented in-person, by computer, phone or written comment. Due to time considerations, each individual offering public comment will be limited to not more than **three** minutes.

2) Approval of Meeting Minutes from March 18, 2021 - **Action Item**

3) Items passed during Legislative 2021 Session which affect palliative care. **Informational - Tom McCoy / M.J. Hesterlee**

4) Updates related to Palliative Care and Quality of Life Council. **Informational - M. Jeanne Hesterlee**

5) Overview of Funding and Networking with other Nevada councils/boards, per NRS 232.355; NRS 232.1857; NRS 232.4858. **Informational - M. Jeanne Hesterlee, Patti Pollina / Veneta Lepera**

6) Overview of new items regarding Palliative Care and Quality of Life web page, including items posted on site since last meeting. **Informational – Nathan K. Orme.**

7) Discussion and possible approval of the completed FAQ list for patients/families electing hospice, and possible approval of FAQ list for patients/families receiving Palliative Care services (pending completion). Approval will result in items being posted and available for print from the website. **Action Item - Melissa St. Jean / Marie Conner / Mary-Ann Brown**

8) Discussion and possible approval of partially completed letter of support to Medical Schools and Nursing Schools outlining the value of implementing enhanced training on Palliative Care and quality of life. **Action Item - Patti Pollina/Kim Anderson/Veneta Lepera**

9) Review of mailing process for letter to educational institutions and discussion of goal to complete mailing by August 1, 2021. **Informational – M. Jeanne Hesterlee**

- 10) Discussion regarding the Council's consideration of applications for the open positions, which include:
- (1) *Community health expertise*: one vacancy for a member who is a health care provisions with expertise in delivery models for palliative care in a variety of inpatient, outpatient and community setting and with diverse populations, per NRS 232.4855(2)(d); and
 - (2) *Palliative care expertise/certified*: one vacancy for a member who is a board certified hospice and palliative care physician or nurse, per NRS 232.4855(2)(f).

Applications may be submitted via email to nwasserman@health.nv.gov. The Council will consider applications at the November 18, 2021 meeting for possible recommendation of appointment by the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services. – **Action Item Veneta Lepera, Chair**

- 11) Proposed date of next meeting: November 18, 2021 at 3:30 PM

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) Public testimony under this agenda item may be presented in person, online, 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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