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**Statewide Epidemiology Workgroup (SEW)  
MINUTES**

**DATE: October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 TIME: 9:03 a.m.**

**Meeting Locations:**

Division of Public and Behavioral  
Health  
Bureau of Behavioral Health  
Wellness and Prevention  
Conference Room 201, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
4126 Technology Way, Suite 200  
Carson City, NV

Division of Public and Behavioral  
Health  
Bureau of Health Care Quality and  
Compliance  
4220 Maryland Parkway, Building  
D, Suite 810  
Las Vegas, NV

**1. Call to order/roll call**

**Board Members Present:**

Kathryn Barker, Chair, Southern Nevada Health District; Jennifer Thompson, Chair-Elect, Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH); Richard Egan, Office of Suicide Prevention; Ihsan Azzam, DPBH; Trey Delap, Group Six Partners; Judy Henderson, Nevada Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence; Wei Yang, Nevada Center for Health Statistics and Information, University of Nevada, Reno; Yehn Long, Nevada State Board of Pharmacy; Stephanie Asteriadis-Pyle, Center for the Application of Substance Abuse Technologies (CASAT); Eric Ohlson, Washoe School District; James Kuzhippala, Truckee Meadows Community College; Linda Lang, proxy for Jennifer DeLett-Snyder

**Board Members Absent:**

Pauline Salla and Ying Zhang

**Staff and Guests Present:**

Brook Adie, Bureau Chief, Bureau of Behavioral Health Wellness and Prevention; Stephanie Woodard, Department of Health and Human Services; Ruth Condray, and Tracy Palmer, DPBH; Raul Martinez, Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency (SAPTA); Joan Waldock, SAPTA; Lea Cartwright, Nevada Psychiatric Association

**2. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**3. Approval of minutes – June 25th, 2019 Meeting**

Mr. Kuzhippala moved to approve the minutes with changes; Ms. Asteriadis Pyle seconded the motion. The motion passed without opposition. Mr. Delap abstained.

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4. Formalizing communications between the Statewide Epidemiology Workgroup (SEW) and the Multidisciplinary Prevention Advisory Committee (MPAC)

Ms. Baker explained the MPAC interprets data in the context of what is happening at the community level. The SEW makes recommendations on emerging threats, communities or populations at risk, or priority topic areas through the Epi Profile. She will present the profile, with the SEW's recommendations, at the next MPAC meeting for their review. The MPAC may ask for additional analyses or presentations from other groups. They can use the SEW's recommendations to inform prevention programming at the local level. The SEW will meet a month before MPAC meets-- January, April, July, and October, 2020. The Epi Profile does not include data coalitions collect at the community level; that information will be presented at a joint meeting of the three committees in January. There may be additional recommendations for the MPAC's consideration after that meeting.

5. Update on Progress of Data-Subcommittee

Ms. Thompson said the Data Subcommittee met in July and discussed adding data sets from the coalitions, HIV, and maternal and child health. At a second meeting, they voted. They did not include information on marijuana because there is no good free source for data.

6. Review and Approve Epi-Profile

Attendees suggested the executive summary introduce the report—detailing what the report is, who it is intended for, and how it could be used; defining "coalitions" and their geographical areas; changing text relating to coalition-level data to make sure it is clear it means their regions; and making corrections and clarifications as noted. Refinements and changes were recommended. Dr. Yang moved to approve with the recommended edits discussed. Ms. Thompson seconded the motion. The motion passed without abstention or opposition.

7. Make Recommendations from Epi Profile to the Multidisciplinary Prevention Advisory Committee (MPAC)

Ms. Thompson moved to use the executive summary to make recommendations. Dr. Azzam seconded the motion. The motion passed without opposition or abstention.

8. Public Comment

There was no public comment

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m.