Division of Public and Behavioral Health
DIETITIAN ADVISORY GROUP
SUMMARY MINUTES
Date: Thursday, August 4, 2016
Time: 3:30 p.m.
MEETING LOCATIONS

Videoconference to:
Division of Public and Behavioral Health
727 Fairview Drive, Suite E
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Division of Public and Behavioral Health
4220 South Maryland Parkway, Building D, Suite 810
Las Vegas, Nevada 89119

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NOTE: SOME ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS MAY ATTEND IN LAS VEGAS
AGENDA ITEMS MAY BE TAKEN OUT OF ORDER, COMBINED FOR CONSIDERATION, AND/OR
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Attendees:
Michele Cowee, RDN, LD, CDE, Chair
Deborah Klein, RD, LD
Laura Kruskall, RD
Pam Wagner, RD, LD, CNSC

Leticia Metherell, HCQC
Nathan Orme, HCQC
Jennifer Dunaway, HCQC

Robert Kidd, Perry Foundation
Tammy, Signa Benefits
Scott Scribner
Nancy Collins

Approval of meeting minutes from May 12, 2016 Michele Cowee, Chair

A spelling correction was made to Michele Cowee’s name mentioned in the minutes as well as Nathan Orme’s name.

DEBORAH KLEIN MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MEETING MINUTES WITH TWO CORRECTION NAME SPELLINGS. SECONDED BY PAM WAGNER. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The following people submitted their resumes and are interested in becoming a member representing the public on the Dietitian Advisory Group.

Anne R. Lindsay, Phd.
Robert P. Kidd
Scott H. Scibner, FMP, CDM, CFPP
Corinne M. Sloss
Robert D. Fisher
Ron Nichols
Jennifer Dunaway explained the mission of the DAG.

The mission of the Advisory Group shall be to examine, consider, and make recommendations about the following issues:

(a) Facilitate the development of materials which may be used to educate the public concerning the practice of dietetics;
(b) Facilitate the exchange of information between dietitians, the Commission on Dietetic Registration of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics or its successor organization, the Board; and
(c) To provide recommendations to the Board concerning regulations or practices that affect licensees, review disciplinary actions, appeals, denials or revocations of licenses and terms of the suspension or reinstatement of licenses.

The group reviewed the resumes and those present explained why they were interested in becoming a member.

- Robert Kidd, Perry Foundation, Las Vegas
- Anne R. Lindsay, PhD, M.S., ACSM-HFI, University of Nevada, Cooperative Extension, Reno
- Schott H. Scribner, FMP, CDM, CFPP, Sodexo Services, Inc., Las Vegas
- Corinne M. Sloss, Regional Director, Quality and Risk, HealthSouth Las, Vegas

Candidates present and on the phone introduced themselves and noted why they were interested in becoming a member of the DAG. After a round table discussion regarding the candidates, the Anne R. Lindsey was selected to be nominated as a member.

Anne R. Lindsay was nominated to be the new member

MOTION TO RECOMMEND ANNE R. LINDSAY AS A PUBLIC MEMBER TO THE ADVISORY GROUP TO THE BOARD OF HEALTH. DEBORAH KLEIN SECONDED THE MOTION. PAM WAGNER SECONDED THE MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

Bureau Topics - Jennifer Dunaway, HCQC

Update on Health Care Quality and Compliance (HCQC) web site changes – Jennifer Dunnaway commented that Nikki Feister can answer general questions regarding the web site. She may be contacted at nfeister@health.nv.gov. She added that hospitals will now receive their statement of deficiencies on line and can review the statement on line and develop the plan of correction online and send it back through the web site. This is a step forward that will hopefully make things more efficient. Currently, the system is strictly for state licensure.

Frequently asked Questions, Blog, Social media

Nathan Orme, Education and Public Information Officer, HCQC – requested everyone to go to www.dpbh.com Dietitian Section and review the Health Care Quality and Compliance blog areas. He will be creating short video snippets, public awareness item, social media, and different items to notify the public.
Leticia Metherell commented that there is some educational funding available.

Jennifer Dunaway commented that they can bring this up at the next Dietetic Association Meeting and see what key issues they would like to be publicized.

Letitia Metherell said there is a large rural population and there are very few dietitians in the rural area. This group could help bring out messages to that area where there is not as much expertise.

Michele Cowee said she would compose a letter to the president of the Dietetic Association and pose the question to them and share with the advisory group what one or two areas to have an awareness campaign.

After some discussion, it was also noted there is a National Dietetic Month which is a campaign and that states do their individual campaigns.

Jennifer Dunaway noted that the By-Laws state that the Dietitian Advisory Group will meet no less than once per year.

**Update on Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).** Crystal Wren, Long-Term Support Services, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP)

There was no discussion under this item.

**Update on any new information related to dietitians.** Michele Cowee, Chair

Suggestions for amending statutes or regulations.

Deborah Klein noted that there has been some changes to the systems and licensure restrictions. Medicaid and Medicare changed their laws so the dietitians need to come into compliance with that law. She asked if that was something the DAG could deal with.

Letitia Metherell noted that as individuals they could make recommendations to their representative or legislature or the Dietetic Association can choose to lobby to make those changes but the Dietitian Advisory Group could not make these types of recommendations.

**Date for next meeting.**

The next meeting was scheduled for February 9, 2017 at 3:30 p.m.

**Public Comment**

No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken.

There was no public comment.

**Adjournment.**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:50 p.m.