

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

March 11, 2016

9:00 a.m.

Division of Public and Behavioral Health
4150 Technology Way, Room 303
Carson City, Nevada

Division of Public and Behavioral Health
Rawson Neal Training Room
1650 Community College Drive
Las Vegas, Nevada

Division of Aging and Disability Services
Early Intervention Services
1020 Ruby Vista Drive, Suite 102
Elko, Nevada

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Stephen Jones, MD (Las Vegas)
Brian Saeman, ESQ (Carson City)
Dipti Shah, MD (Las Vegas)
Jon Pennell, DVM (Las Vegas)
Monica Ponce, DDS (Las Vegas)
Judith Bittner, (Carson City)

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Joan Anjum, RN

DIVISION OF PUBLIC & BEHAVIORAL HEALTH (DPBH) STAFF PRESENT:

Julia Peek, DPBH, Deputy Administrator Community Services
Chad Westom, DPBH, PAIS
Michael Schmidt, DPBH, RCP
Adrian Howe, DPBH, RCP
Kirsten Coulombe, DPBH, Deputy Administrator Administrative Services
Karen Beckley, DPBH, RCP

OTHERS PRESENT:

Linda Anderson, Sr. Deputy Attorney General, Attorney General's Office (AG)
Barry Lovgren, Self
Stephen Sweet, Saint Mary's Hospital
Diane Bowers, Saint Mary's Hospital
Brian Reeder, Ferrari Public Affairs
Nicki Aaker, Carson City HHS
Dr. Joseph Iser, Chief Health Officer, Southern Nevada Health District
Kevin Dick, District Health Officer, Washoe County Health

Chairman Jones opened the meeting at 9:03 a.m. Dr. Jones indicated the meeting agenda was posted at the following locations: Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health, Carson City; Washoe County Health District, Reno; Nevada State Library and Archives, Carson City; Grant Sawyer State Office Building, Las Vegas; Early Intervention Services, Elko; Legislative Building, Carson City; on the Internet at the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health website: <http://www.health.nv.gov>; and the Legislative Counsel Bureau website: <http://www.leg.state.nv.us> in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law.

Roll call was taken and it was determined that a quorum of the State Board of Health was present. Chairman Jones asked if there were any changes to the draft minutes from the September 11, 2015 meeting.

Chairman Jones asked if there was any public comment.

CHAIRMAN JONES ENTERTAINED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES. A MOTION TO APPROVE WAS MADE BY MS. BITTNER. DR. PONCE SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

REPORTS (Informational)

Nicki Aaker, MSN, M PH, RN, Director for Carson City Health and Human Services, provided a written and verbal report which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

Joseph Iser, MD, DrPH, MSc, Chief Health Officer for Southern Nevada Health District, gave a written and verbal report which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

Kevin Dick, District Health Officer for Washoe County Health District, gave a verbal report.

CONSENT AGENDA

CHAIRMAN JONES ENTERTAINED A MOTION ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. A MOTION TO APPROVE WAS MADE BY DR. PENNELL. DR. PENNELL SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item 4. Case #677: Las Ventanas Memory Care Unit So. Nevada: Request for Variance to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC449.218, "Floor space; windows and doors; privacy; storage space; bedding; personal furnishings; lighting. (NRS 449.0302).” (Kyle Devine, Chief, Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance, Division of Public and Behavioral Health)

Mr. Devine submitted a written statement regarding this variance which is attached hereto as Exhibit "C."

CHAIRMAN HUNT ENTERTAINED A MOTION ON AGENDA ITEM 4. A MOTION TO APPROVE WAS MADE BY DR. PENNELL. DR. SHAH SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. Consideration and adoption of proposed regulation LCB file no. R144-13RP4 amendments to Nevada Administrative Code 457 & 459. The proposed regulations amend and modify existing

language to make regulations more clear, current and compatible with the intent and scope of the Radiation Control Program (RCP). Introduction of new language which aids the RCP to carry out its regulatory role more effectively. Present regulations that need to be adopted, as soon as possible, in order to maintain compliance with the requirements of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). Repeals redundant and/or outdated regulations. (Karen Beckley, Radiation Control)

Ms. Beckley gave a verbal overview of the proposed regulation.

**CHAIRMAN JONES ENTERTAINED A MOTION ON AGENDA ITEM 4.
A MOTION TO APPROVE WAS MADE BY MR. SAEMAN. DR. PONCE
SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:34 am.

STATE OF NEVADA

BRIAN SANDOVAL
Governor

RICHARD WHITLEY, MS
Director, DHHS



CODY L. PHINNEY, MPH
Administrator, DPBH

LEON RAVIN, MD
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June 2, 2016

MEMORANDUM

TO: Brian Saeman, Vice-Chairman
State Board of Health

FROM: Cody L. Phinney, MPH
Administrator

RE: Community Paramedicine Compliance Agreements

Per the 2015 Legislative session, Assembly Bill (AB) 305 was passed and community paramedicine was added to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 450B.

Per AB 305, "Community paramedicine services" means services provided by an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic to patients who do not require emergency medical transportation and provided in a manner that is integrated with the health care and social services resources available in the community.

Per AB 305, "Emergency medical provider" means an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic. The providers are also known as attendants.

As of January 1, 2016, AB 305 authorizes a Nevada permitted ambulance, air ambulance, or fire-fighting service that provides emergency care and their employees and volunteers to provide community paramedicine services. The State Board of Health shall adopt regulations to provide for the issuance of an endorsement on a service permit and an endorsement for the emergency medical provider who is employed by or serves as a volunteer for the holder of the permit to provide community paramedicine services.

Per AB 305, the regulations must include at least the following:

- The manner in which to apply for an endorsement;
- The qualifications and requirements of a holder of a permit to obtain an endorsement;
- The required training and qualifications of an emergency medical provider who will provide community paramedicine services and the proof necessary to demonstrate such training and qualifications;

of the permit. The scope must not include any services that are outside the scope of practice of the emergency medical provider. The scope may include, but is not limited to, episodic assessment, care, intervention, care based on care plans developed by practitioners and/or physicians, helping a recently discharged hospital patient reestablish themselves at home, and medication reconciliation.

- 4) Letter of support from the agency medical director;
- 5) Evidence of a patient charting system;
- 6) List of community paramedicine vehicles;
- 7) Evidence that this program will not negatively impact emergency response capabilities;
- 8) Approved community paramedicine protocols by the agency medical director; and
- 9) A statement agreeing to provide quarterly reports to the Division.

The Nevada permitted services listed above have shown an interest in conducting community paramedicine services.

Approval of these Compliance Agreements is desired at the June 10, 2016 State Board of Health Meeting so that permitted services providing Community Paramedicine will be eligible for Medicaid reimbursement on July 1, 2016.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board of Health accept the Compliance Agreements established between the Nevada State EMS Program and the following Nevada permitted services that are requesting to conduct community paramedicine services:

- Carson City Fire Dept.
- City of Elko Fire Dept.
- Air Care One
- Tahoe Douglas Fire Protection District
- Reno Fire Department
- Life Guard International / Flying ICU
- Lovelock Volunteer Ambulance
- American Medical Response (AMR)
- MedicWest Ambulance (MWA)
- North Lyon County Fire Protection District
- REMSA
- North Lake Tahoe Fire Dept.
- East Fork Fire Protection District
- Humboldt General Hospital
- Storey County Fire Dept.
- Owyhee Ambulance Service
- Nye County EMS
- Central Lyon Fire Protection District

PRESENTER

Chad Warren Westom
Bureau Chief
Bureau of Preparedness, Assurance, Inspections, Statistics