

**ADVISORY COUNCIL ON THE STATE PROGRAM FOR WELLNESS AND  
THE PREVENTION OF CHRONIC DISEASE**

**MINUTES**

**JANUARY 17, 2019**

**1:00 p.m.**

The Advisory Council on the State Program for Wellness and the Prevention of Chronic Disease (CWCD) held a public meeting on 1/17/2019, beginning at 1:07 p.m., at the following locations:

Division of Public and Behavioral Health  
4150 Technology Way, Room 303  
Carson City, NV 89706

Division of Health Care Financing & Policy  
1010 Ruby Vista Drive, Suite 102  
Elko, NV 89801

Teleconference Number: (415) 655-0002

Division of Health Care Financing and Policy  
1210 Valley View, Suite 104  
Las Vegas, NV 89146

Department of Health and Human Services  
Aging and Disability Services Division  
2667 Enterprise Road  
Reno, NV 89513

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Tom McCoy, Chair  
Ihsan Azzam, MD  
Stacy Briscoe\*  
Christina Demopoulos, DDS  
Erin Dixon  
Tina Dortch  
Chris Needham\*  
Ben Schmauss  
Rebecca Scherr, MD  
Andrew Snyder  
Christine Syverson  
\*Present via telephone

**BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Janae Ballingham  
Jacquie Ewing-Taylor  
Senator Joyce Woodhouse

**DIVISION OF PUBLIC AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH STAFF PRESENT**

Candice McDaniel, MHS, Bureau Chief, Bureau of Child, Family and Community Wellness (CFCW), DPBH  
Karissa Loper, MPH, Deputy Bureau Chief, CFCW, DPBH  
Kristi Robusto, PhD, MS, Quality Improvement Manager, Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (CDPHP), CFCW, DPBH  
Laura Urban, Food Security and Wellness Manager, CDPHP, CFCW, DPBH  
Jason Courtney, Health Program Specialist I, CDPHP, CFCW, DPBH  
Amanda Lamborn, Program Officer I, CDPHP, CFCW, DPBH  
Mark Ma, Health Resource Analyst II, CDPHP, CFCW, DPBH  
Jeanne Broughton, Administrative Assistant III, CDPHP, CFCW, DPBH  
Katie Charleson, Administrative Assistant II, CDPHP, CFCW, DPBH

## OTHERS PRESENT

Nicki Aaker, Director, Carson City Health and Human Services (CCHHS)  
Maria Azzarelli, Manager, Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD)  
Toni Orr, RN, Public Health Nurse, CCHHS  
Allison Schnitzer, RD, LD, SNHD  
Abigail Wheeler, Elko County

### 1. **Roll Call**

Roll call was taken and it was determined a quorum of the Advisory Council on the State Program for Wellness and the Prevention of Chronic Disease (CWCD) was present, per Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 439.518 § 2.

### 2. **Vote on Minutes from the October 18, 2018 Meeting**

Chair McCoy asked if there were any corrections to the minutes from the October 18, 2018 meeting. No corrections were requested.

**CHAIR MCCOY ENTERTAINED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES WITH NO CORRECTIONS. A MOTION TO APPROVE WAS MADE BY ISHAN AZZAM. BEN SCHMAUSS SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITHOUT PUBLIC COMMENT.**

### 3. **Presentation: Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD) School Wellness Initiatives**

Allison Schnitzer gave the presentation ([SNHD School Wellness Initiatives](#))

Chair McCoy asked if anyone had questions for Ms. Schnitzer.

Dr. Azzam stated we know the kids are taking the food from the salad bar, but is anyone monitoring whether they eat what is taken?

Ms. Schnitzer replied that the amount of waste is the same as any regular school lunch.

Dr. Azzam stated many times during the year there is an outbreak of the Norovirus. How do we ensure the children are washing their hands before and after eating? Is there warm water, soap and paper towels in the restroom facilities?

Ms. Schnitzer replied hand sanitizer is used on each child before they go through the salad bar.

Erin Dixon stated lunch time is usually very rushed for the children. Does the salad bar lengthen the time that lunch service takes?

Ms. Schnitzer replied the lunch period is supposed to be 20 minutes. Since there are two double-sided salad bars, with prepackaged salad and a few toppings, the children are able to move through pretty quickly.

Mr. Schmauss commented he thought the children were supposed to have 20 minutes of seat time, not just 20 minutes total for lunch.

Chair McCoy asked if there was a classroom component to discuss the nutritional aspects for the salad bar.

Ms. Schnitzer replied there is no formal classroom component and there is not much time in the curriculum for a dedicated section on lunchroom nutrition.

Christina Dortch asked if there was any evidence based feedback about the concept.

Ms. Schnitzer replied although they have spoken to the food service workers, they have not conducted any surveys with the children.

Chair McCoy thanked Ms. Schnitzer for the presentation.

**4. Patient-Centered Medical Homes (PCMH) Subcommittee Approve Recommendation Letter to Medicaid**

Chair McCoy presented the letter. ([PCMH Recommendation Letter](#))

Chair McCoy explained the PCMH Subcommittee approved the recommendation letter to Medicaid at the January 4<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Chris Needham commented patient-centered medical homes is a fantastic program and Renown has been trying to spread the concept in Northern Nevada, however, access to Medicaid seems to be a problem.

Chair McCoy stated the PCMH Subcommittee was hoping the letter would encourage more PCMHs and the Subcommittee will continue to work toward that outcome.

**CHAIR MCCOY ENTERTAINED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PCMH RECOMMENDATION LETTER TO MEDICAID. A MOTION TO APPROVE WAS MADE BY ANDREW SNYDER. MS. DIXON SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITHOUT PUBLIC COMMENT.**

**5. Present Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (CDPHP) Section Updates and Program Reports**

Dr. Robusto presented the CDPHP Section Update. ([CDPHP Report](#))

Chair McCoy asked if there were any questions.

Ms. Dixon asked if the Obesity Program data would be available regionally.

Dr. Robusto responded the Gap Analysis Survey went to all counties in the state.

Ms. Dixon acknowledged all the hard work that Jenni Bonk did for the Chronic Disease Program and stated from a Local Health Authority point of view, Ms. Bonk was wonderful to work with because she brought cohesiveness by reaching out to all the health authorities and collaborating with everyone.

Chair McCoy asked how many Community Health Workers there are in the State.

Dr. Robusto responded approximately 350 have been trained. However, not all of them work for the state, which makes it impossible to track them.

**6. Present Local Health Authority (LHA) Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Updates and Program Reports**

**Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD)**

Maria Azzarelli presented the report. ([SNHD Report](#))

Chair McCoy asked if there were any comments or questions. There were none.

**Washoe County Health District (WCHD) Chronic Disease Prevention Program**

Ms. Dixon presented the report. ([WCHD Report](#))

Chair McCoy asked if there were any comments or questions. There were none.

**Carson City Health and Human Services (CCHHS)**

Nicki Aaker presented the report. ([CCHHS Report](#))

Chair McCoy asked if there were any comments or questions. There were none.

**Elko County**

Ms. Wheeler presented on behalf of Elko. ([Elko County Report](#))

Chair McCoy asked if there were any comments or questions.

Ms. Dixon offered to share preparedness plans, or anything else that those in Elko may need, to help them be successful in their endeavors.

Dr. Azzam offered to have the State coordinator contact Ms. Wheeler to give Elko additional assistance.

**7. Preventive Health and Health Services (PHHS) Block Grant Update**

Kristi Robusto presented the update. ([PHHS Report](#))

**8. Public Comment**

Chair McCoy asked if there was any public comment.

Ms. Dixon requested a presentation of Legislative updates at the April meeting.

**9. Adjournment**

**CHAIR MCCOY ENTERTAINED A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. A MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS MADE BY ISHAN AZZAM. BEN SCHMAUSS SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2:40 P.M.**