

**STATE OF NEVADA**  
**DIVISION OF PUBLIC AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH (DPBH)**  
**PRIMARY CARE ADVISORY COUNCIL (PCAC)**

**DRAFTMINUTES**  
September 22, 2020  
2:00PM to Adjournment

**Teleconference:**

In accordance with Governor Sisolak's Declaration of Emergency Directive 006; Subsection 1; The requirement contained in NRS 241.023 (1) (b) that there be a physical location designated for meetings of public bodies where members of the public are permitted to attend and participate is suspended.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Amir Qureshi, Chair (Call-In)  
Susan VanBeuge (Call-In)  
Gerald J. Ackerman (Call-In)  
Jessica Kemmerer (Call-In designee)  
Dominque Bookman (Call-In designee)

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Cody Phinney (designee sent)  
Julie Clyde (designee sent)  
Nancy Bowen  
Jason Hildebrand

**DPBH Staff Present:**

Heather Mitchell, Health Resource Analyst, PCO  
Tarryn Emmerich-Choi, Management Analyst, PCO

**Others Present:**

Matt Grimes, Chief Operating Officer at Desert Radiology

**1. Roll call and confirmation of quorum.**

H. Mitchell read the roll call and stated that there was a quorum present.

**2. Approval of minutes:**

A. Qureshi asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes from the July 29th, 2020 meeting. No recommendations were made.

**First Motion:** S. VanBeuge

**Second Motion:** G. Ackerman

**Motion:** PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

**3. Recommendation to the Administrator for the Division of Public and Behavioral Health regarding a J-1 Physician Visa Waiver Letter of Support for Dr. Sameer Rehman.**

H. Mitchell presented summary handout of the completed application.

**Member Comment:**

A. Qureshi comments on Dr. Rehman having extra qualifications than a regular radiologist

G. Ackerman follows up and asks if there will be an opportunity for Dr. Rehman to advance into the subspecialties that he is trained for, and mentions that he has an impressive resume

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M. Grimes says that there will be the opportunity at the facility, which specializes in women's breast imaging

G. Ackerman asks if the position Dr Rehman fills for their recommendation does not really matter, as the position states general radiologist, but they are just approving Dr Rehman's license

M. Grimes answers that at some of the locations there is a mammography program, as well as South West Medical so Dr. Rehman will be able to use all his fellowship trained skills, as well as his diagnostic radiology skills. He then asks if this clarifies A. Qureshi's and G. Ackerman's query

A. Qureshi and G. Ackerman confirm that it does

A. Qureshi states that Desert Radiology is a huge company with many radiologists, and they cover many hospitals. He then asks if there are any other comments or concerns

G. Ackerman says that his only concern is that with all the training Dr. Rehman has, they need those specialists in the State, and he was hoping that he would be able to practice that

**Public Comment:** None

**First Motion:** G. Ackerman makes a motion to approve the application and forward to the Administrator

**Second Motion:** S. VanBeuge

**Motion:** PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

**4. Public Comment**

M. Grimes thanks the group for pushing the application through and says that Dr. Rehman will be a great asset for them and patients in Clark County

A. Qureshi says that Dr Rehman went to the medical school in the town that A. Qureshi grew up in. He mentions that that medical school is a great medical school, and that many good doctors have come from that school, and have had the highest level of expertise and training, so A. Qureshi is happy about this application

M. Grimes states that they are happy to have Dr. Rehman

**5. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 2:11 p.m.