

Rural RBHC Roundup: Nevada's 80<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session

Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board June 25, 2019 Meeting Valerie Cauhape, MA, MPH

### Today's Presentation

- AB66 (Washoe Board)
- AB76 (Southern Board)
- AB85 (Northern Board)
- AB47: Lessons Learned



## AB 66 (Washoe Board)

- Creation of crisis stabilization centers in Washoe and Clark Counties
  - De-escalates person in crisis
  - Avoid admission to inpatient mental health or hospital
  - Services reimbursable by Medicaid

#### AB 66 (Washoe Board)

- Transportation
  - "Non-emergency behavioral transport services"
  - Not an ambulance or law enforcement vehicle
  - Safe, secure, and specific to behavioral health/mental illness
  - State Board of Health (BOH) to license and regulate private entities

AB 66 (Washoe Board)

- Psychiatric reimbursement
  - Public insurances must negotiate to include inpatient psychiatric care as a part of their network

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AB76 (Southern/Clark Board)

- Creation of the 5<sup>th</sup> Board
  - Southern RBHPB
  - Clark RBHPB
- Addition of two positions, housed at DPBH
  - One data analyst
  - One for coordinating Board meeting minutes and agenda approval processes

AB76 (Southern/Clark Board)

- Board need only consist of 7 total members
- Data collection and publication requirements
- Electronic resource guide

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AB85 (Northern Board)

- Revises process regarding Legal 2000 (L2k) involuntary mental health holds
- 72-hour holds start at time of form completion

AB85 (Northern Board)

- Workgroups currently being formed for the development of educational materials
- For inclusion, email Northern RBHC

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#### AB47: Lessons Learned

- We have more time take advantage
- Data-driven development
- Organized session strategy developed before session starts
- Appropriation can be problematic
- Include State stakeholders in development of BDR



# QUESTIONS OR DISCUSSION