

**MULTIDISCIPLINARY PREVENTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MPAC)  
DRAFT MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** September 11, 2015  
**TIME:** 1:00 p.m. *Video-Conference*  
**LOCATION:** Div. of Public and Behavioral Health Health Care Quality and Compliance  
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**MPAC Committee Members Present**

Carol O'Hare Nevada Council on Problem Gambling  
Cesar Melgarejo Office of the Governor  
Dena Schmidt, Chair Department of Health and Human Services  
Heidi Gustafson Foundation for Recovery  
Joseph Joshua Livernois Northern Nevada HOPES  
Justice Michael Douglas Supreme Court of Nevada  
Karla Wagner University of Nevada, Reno  
Keith Carter Las Vegas Metro Police Department  
Kristen Rivas CPP- Children, Youth & Family  
Dr. Mel Pohl Las Vegas Recovery Center  
Monty Williams Statewide Native American Coalition  
Scott Shick Chief Juvenile Probation Officer, Douglas County

**MPAC Committee Members Absent**

Cheryl Bricker Partnership of Community Resources  
Michael McMahon Division of Public and Behavioral Health  
Patrick Bozarth Community Counseling Center of Southern Nevada  
Stephanie Asteriadis Pyle, Vice Chair Nevada Prevention Resource Center, UNR

**Others Present**

Christina Turner Maternal and Child Health Services  
Denna Atkinson Foundation for Recovery  
Janet Porter Center for the Application of Prevention Training  
Jennifer DeLett-Snyder Join Together Northern Nevada  
Linda Anderson Attorney General's Office  
Linda Lang Nevada Statewide Coalition Partnership  
Marissa Duke PACT Coalition

**SAPTA Staff Present**

Bill Kirby Health Program Specialist I  
Kevin Quint Bureau Chief  
J'Amie Frederick Administrative Assistant III

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

Dena Schmidt opened the meeting in due form at 1:10 p.m. and after introductions, a quorum was established.

**2. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

3. **Recommendation for Possible Appointment of Primary Care Physician**

Ms. Schmidt called for primary care physician recommendations from the Committee. Heidi Gustafson recommended Dr. James Eells of Las Vegas. Dr. Mel Pohl stated he knew Dr. Eells very well and fully supported Ms. Gustafson's recommendation. Scott Schick moved to nominate Dr. Eells for consideration at the next meeting; Ms. Gustafson seconded the motion. The motion unanimously passed.

Monty Williams moved to nominate Linda Lang for consideration at the next meeting; Scott Shick seconded the motion. The motion unanimously passed.

New member elections will take place at the next MPAC meeting in October.

4. **SAPTA Update for New MPAC Members**

Kevin Quint delivered an update on the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency (SAPTA) and the Bureau of Behavioral Health, Wellness, and Prevention to the Committee (BBHWP). In January 2015, SAPTA, the Behavioral Health Planning Unit, and the HIV/Ryan White programs were asked to form together as a new bureau. The new bureau was named Bureau of Behavioral Health, Wellness, and Prevention (BBHWP). The BBHWP has approximately 30 staff members and a \$50 million budget. The BBHWP is currently managing the federal substance abuse block grant, which is a formula grant. The BBHWP receives approximately \$21 million a year for drug and alcohol prevention and treatment, and mental health. In addition to the block grant, the BBHWP manages the Cooperative Agreement to Benefit Homeless Individuals (CABHI) grant, the Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) grant, the Safe Schools/Healthy Students (SS/HS) grant, and several others. The BBHWP is currently in the third year of the five year Partnership for Success (PFS) grant, a prescription drug abuse grant. The PFS grant led to the creation of the MPAC and the Statewide Epidemiology Workgroup (SEW).

At this time, SAPTA has three tasks they would like to see the MPAC accomplish:

- 1) Continue to work with the Statewide Epidemiology Workgroup (SEW).
- 2) Work with the PFS grant.
- 3) Advise SAPTA on implementation of the National Governors Association's (NGA) prescription drug abuse prevention plan.

SAPTA funds, regulates, and certifies treatment and prevention programs in the State of Nevada. Currently, SAPTA is funding 19 treatment providers at 55 sites across the state. These programs are on a fee-for-service system. SAPTA is also currently funding 12 prevention coalitions. The prevention coalitions fund 54 prevention providers in all 17 counties across Nevada.

5. **Review of National Governors Association's Nevada Strategic Plan, and Make Recommendations of Possible Modifications**

Ms. Schmidt led the Committee's discussion and review of the 2015 Quarter Four recommendations and activities included in the Nevada Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention 12-Month Strategic Plan. A copy of the Strategic Plan can be downloaded from SAPTA's website at <http://dpbh.nv.gov/Programs/ClinicalSAPTA/Home - SAPTA/>.

After reviewing the Community Education Recommendations, Ms. Schmidt suggested the Committee table agenda item five and complete their review at the next MPAC meeting. Hearing no objections, Ms. Schmidt tabled agenda item five.

6. **Overview and Recommendations to Establish MPAC Subcommittees**

Mr. Quint asked the Committee to use subcommittees sparingly, as they can become difficult to manage. Linda Anderson, with the Office of the District Attorney General, agreed with Mr. Quint, and suggested assigning individual projects to a particular MPAC Member instead of using subcommittees. The Members agreed to move forward with Mr. Quint's recommendation and will address the possible need for subcommittees as they progress.

7. **Review Bylaws, Purpose, and Mission of the MPAC, and Make Recommendations of Possible Modifications**

Mr. Quint stated the MPAC bylaws have been updated to include the recommendations made at the August 14, 2015, meeting. The final version is expected to be released at the next meeting in October.

8. **Discussion and Approval of Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

- Next meeting is scheduled for October 14, 2015, at 1:00 p.m.
- Discussion and approval of September 11, 2015, meeting minutes
- Continue NGA Strategic Plan Review
- Presentation on Senate Bill 459
- Update from SEW
- Schedule Meeting Dates

9. **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

10. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned in due form at 2:50 p.m.