



**SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT AGENCY ADVISORY
BOARD BIMONTHLY MEETING
MINUTES**

June 8, 2022 9:00am to adjournment

Meeting held via TEAMS

1. Roll Call and Announcements

Members Present: Jolene Dalluhn, Quest Counseling; Jamie Ross, PACT Coalition; Devan Lane, Bridge Counseling, Kasey Chu, New Frontier; Michelle Padden, Center for the Application of Substance Abuse Technologies (CASAT); Kay Velardo, Community Counseling Center of Southern Nevada; Tammie Shemenski, Churchill Community Coalition; Anne-Elizabeth Northan, Join Together Norther Nevada; Peter Ott, Bristlecone; Mari Hutchinson, Step 2; Leo Magridician, WestCare; Wendy Nelson, Frontier Community Coalition; Jasmine Cooper, HELP of Southern Nevada

Members Absent: Ester Quilici, Gina Flores-O'Toole

Staff and Guest Present: Harold Michael, Jennifer Tongol, Sofia Cano-Allison, Tray Abney, Roxanne DeCarlo, Cherylyn Wood, Anne-Elizabeth Northan, Miranda Branson, Antonia Capparelli, Vanessa Diaz, Lawanda Jones, Lea Case, Stephanie Cook, Ben Trevino, Denys Williams, Linda Anderson, Iris Key, J'Aime Webster- Frederick, Jennie Bear, Shannon Bennett, Dani Doehring

2. Public Comment

Ms. Palmer just wanted to let the board know that the bureau was verifying bylaw language and as of now no changes need to be made with the boards process.

3. Approval of Minutes for April 13, 2022

Mr. Magridician made motion to approve minutes, Ms. Ross seconded, motion passed unanimously.

4. Review and approval of letter to the Behavioral Health and Medical Licensing Boards regarding workforce challenges

Ms. Ross recapped on the workforce challenges in regards to gaps and shortages and presented a draft letter that she would like to send out- see handout

Ms. Cooper stated she is 1000% behind this letter and sends a letter very similar to this annually to the Governor.

Ms. Cooper votes to approve the letter as it is written, Ms. Dalluhn seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously

5. Approval of MPAC priorities

Ms. Ross states at the last meeting we had a presentation by Ms. O'hare but the item was mislabeled as an informational item and should have been an action item. We are here today to vote on the Multidisciplinary Prevention Advisory Committee (MPAC) priorities.

Mr. Ross made motion to approve MPAC priorities as written by MPAC, Ms. Nelson seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously

6. Standing Informational Items

- 1) Ms. Ross would like to bring awareness that Nevada will be receiving funds and that we need to be aware of where that money is going. We want to make sure programs are being funded in a meaningful way.
- 2) Ms. Bennett spoke about the bureau being ready for the 988 roll out on July 16th and the work involved in having the infrastructure in place. We have been working with Center for the Application of Substance Abuse Technology (CASAT) on the Opioid Response Grant which is due July 18th. We are also in the process of revamping the bureaus business process to make us more efficient.
- 3) Ms. Palmer spoke about the General Fund subawards starting July 1st. The Partnership for Success application that came out from Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) for this year, we are not eligible to apply for since we applied in 2018 and are receiving money. Stephanie Cook and I have taken a deep dive into the certifications and have gotten about half caught up. Lawanda Jones is our subject matter expert regarding certificates, she will be working closely with Michelle Padden. We are also in the process of developing the application for the Substance Abuse and Mental Health block grant.
- 4) Ms. Cook showed a presentation regarding Liquor Tax and how the funding is collected and managed by SAPTA. Money collected under the Liquor Tax must be used to increase services to prevent alcohol and substance use. SAPTA distributes the money through Forensic Assessment Service Triage Team (FASTT) and Mobile Outreach Safety Team (MOST) programs. Ms. Ross asked where the other taxes go from alcohol under 22%? Ms. Cook will see what she can find out

- Ms. Ross asked if there are any other counties that have FASTT and MOST teams?
- Ms. Tongol states there is a MOST team in Carson City, Partnership Douglas County, and Lyon County
- Ms. Ross asked what the Treatment Fee for Service is funding.
- Ms. Cook stated that the money was used for transitional housing and other levels of care and will be moved out of this category as it doesn't align with FASTT and MOST.
- 5) Update related to NAC 458 revision process
- Ms. Cook spoke about the revision we are working towards will remove stigmatizing language, streamline, and update language.
- Ms. Padden talks about the revision that are currently being worked on which includes: update coalition definition, update definition of detoxification, update the information related to intern supervision license, changing the term abuse to more appropriate language, alert SAPTA if a client is deceased, update how the advisory board approves division criteria, adding terminology regarding the sale of an agency and the transfer certifications, adding a policy requirement for background checks, plus we updated/cleaned up some language.
7. Conversation surrounding the challenges of behavioral health professionals getting certified
- Ms. Dalluhn mentioned it took a licensed CPC twelve weeks to get her license in Nevada from Colorado
8. Recommend Agenda Items for the next meeting
- Ms. Ross asks if we can have a deep dive into where all the liquor tax is going
- Ms. Dalluhn would like to discuss more about 988
- Ms. Ross would like to have someone speak to us about priorities surrounding the Opioid Settlement dollars
9. Public Comment
- There was no public comment
10. Adjourn 10:23am
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