

MEETING MINUTES

MEDICAL LABORATORIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MLAC)

SEPTEMBER 16, 2024

Roll Call

Meeting called by Keri King, Administrative Assistant III

MLAC Members

Present: Christie L. Elliott, M.D.; Taylor Noyes, BS, MT; Jill Brown, MT; Kennedy Ukadike, M.D., M.S., FACR; David P. Marmaduke, M.D; Alexander Stojanoff, Ph.D.; Ihsan Azzam, M.D., Ph.D., Chief Medical Officer State of Nevada

Absent: Iain L. O. Buxton, Ph.D.

Call to Order

- Attendance was taken and a quorum of MLAC members was present.
- Under Nevada's open meeting law, Keri provided the phone number 775-321-6111 and conference ID 430 126 772#.

MLAC General Business

- Public Comment – None.
- Agenda Item #2: Review and possible approval of meeting minutes from March 25, 2024. – Jill Brown asked for review and possibly approve the meeting minutes from March 25, 2024. Christie Elliott, M.D. moved to approve, David Marmaduke motion to second. Motion carried all in favor.
- Agenda Item #3: Rebecca Heidker stepped in for Brad Waples regarding proposed changes to the language in the NAC Chapter 652 that was presented to the Board of Health at the meeting on September 6, 2024, for their approval. To update the regulatory requirements for the qualifications of affected personnel, licensure and certification to include licensed optometrists as laboratory directors performing wave testing, according to NRS 652210; so, it would be aligned with the changes in the federal CLIA requirements that are coming up December 31, 2024, and also to repeal unused regulation in there to comply with Governor Lombardo's Executive Order. Also clarifying the requirement for laboratories to submit an application, pay their fee, and have an inspection when they change the name of the laboratory, adding a new test to their menu, or if there is a significant change in the methodology in which they are using to perform the testing. That federal CLIA change is supposed to be effective December 28, 2024, and then the regulation, the state regulation will become effective January 1, 2025. Rebecca gave a run down on items that were presented to

the Board of Health, each stated that the recommendations for the State Board of Health adopting the proposed regulation amendments to NAC 652 LCB file R145-23. Rebecca state that after the July 12 meeting there was verbiage added to come into compliance with the CMS requirements.

- Agenda Item #4: Christie Elliott asked if any of the Members have any further discussion on the items that Rebecca has already covered regarding NAC Chapter 652 laboratory changes, which include the errata, that was added on the July 12, 2024, public workshop to be presented to the Board of Health on September 6, 2024. There was no other discussion.
- Agenda Item #6: Discussion regarding date of next meeting (dates of future meetings subject to change). Next meeting proposed scheduled on Feb 10, 2025, at 12 p.m.
- Public Comment: None
- Adjournment: Christie Elliott made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Kennedy Ukadike. All in favor Aye. The meeting was adjourned.