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Local Governing Boards

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# Agenda

1. Nevada Revised Statutes for Behavioral Health Commission
2. Requirements for federal, state and local accrediting and certifying bodies
3. Proposed Local Governing Board Bylaws





## NRS 433 Mental Health

- The Commission shall:
  - Through policy ensure development and administration of services to individuals with mental illness
  - Set policies for the care and treatment of individuals with mental illness
- Powers:
  - Collect and disseminate information related to mental health
  - Take appropriate steps to increase the availability of and to enhance the quality of the care and treatment of individuals with mental illness
  - Promote programs for the treatment of persons with mental illness, participate and promote training of persons who care for individuals with mental illness



## NRS 433 Mental Health

- Powers continued:
  - Plan coordination and continuity in the care and treatment of individuals with mental illness
  - Compile statistics, study the cause, pathology and prevention of mental illness
  - Evaluate the future needs of this State and develop ways to improve the treatment of mental illness



## Federal and State Requirements

- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
  - Hospitals must have a governing body
    - Governing body must reflect the complexity of the organization and services
    - Involve all departments
    - Focuses on indicators related to improved health outcomes
    - Prevention and reduction of medical errors
  - Responsibilities
    - Governing body holds responsible the medical staff and administrative officials responsible and accountable for ensuring a quality improvement and patient safety program is maintained
    - Performance improvement efforts address priorities for quality of care and patient safety and all efforts are evaluated
    - Medical staff bylaws are approved by the governing body
    - Medical leaders submit recommendations on the credentials of medical staff in accordance with State law



# Federal and State Requirements

- The Joint Commission

- Every hospital has three leadership groups: the governing body, senior managers and the organized medical staff. These groups can be combined into one
- The governing body works with leadership on shared responsibilities and accountabilities
- The governing body ensures accountability for the safety and quality of care, treatment, and services.

- Responsibilities

- Defines in writing its responsibilities
- Approves the hospital's written scope of services
- Provides for resources to maintain safety, quality, treatment and services
- Works with senior leaders to ensure its mission, vision, and goals are met
- Provides the organized medical staff representation at governing body meetings
- Provides infection prevention and control programs guidance
- Providers who practice within the hospital are credentialed, privileged and re-privileged through the medical staff process or equivalent process



## Local Governing Board Bylaws

- Article 1: Name and Mission
  - Local Governing Boards (LGB) shall serve as governing board of each behavioral health facility in their region in Clinical Services-DPBH\*
  - Ensures compliance and conformity with all applicable regulations and standards in behavioral health
  - LGB's for Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services, Lakes Crossing Center and Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services
  - Abides by open meeting laws
    - *\*No statutory requirement for local governing boards*

- Article II: Powers and Duties:
  - Ensure mission, vision and goals of each facility are reflected in operations
    - Works with leadership on responsibilities and accountabilities
    - Approves the hospital's written scope of services
  - Review statistics and data from each facility per federal and state requirements and recommendations
    - Data review to include indicators related to improved health outcomes from departments within facility
    - Prevention and reduction of medical errors
    - Patient safety indicators
    - Infection control and prevention data guidance



## Local Governing Board

- Article II: Powers and Duties:
  - Responsible for ensuring the medical staff and administration continue a quality improvement and patient safety program
  - Evaluation of quality of care and patient safety efforts are completed by each facility
  - Approval of medical bylaws
  - Recommendations on credentials of medical staff are approved in accordance with State law
- Article III: Meetings
  - Occur quarterly each year
  - LGB is a five-member body, with three members of Behavioral Health Commission and two members of the behavioral health facility
  - Quorum consists of three members, two of which must be from Behavioral Health Commission



# Questions?





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# Acronyms

- NNAMHS – Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services
- SNAMHS – Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services
- BH Commission – Behavioral Health Commission
- LGB – Local Governing Board
- DPBH – Division of Public and Behavioral Health
- DHHS – Department of Health and Human Services