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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