

BBHWP Division Criteria and Behavioral Health Certifications for Excellence in Nevada (BHCEN)

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ABOUT DPBH

MISSION

To protect, promote, and improve the physical and behavioral health and safety of all people in Nevada, equitably and regardless of circumstances, so they can live their safest, longest, healthiest, and happiest life.

VISION

A Nevada where preventable health and safety issues no longer impact the opportunity for all people to live life in the best possible health.

PURPOSE

To make everyone's life healthier, happier, longer, and safer.



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AGENDA

1. Purpose and History of Division Criteria and Behavioral Health Certifications for Excellence in Nevada (BHCEN)
2. BBHWP Division Criteria
3. BHCEN Today and in the Future



Behavioral Health Certifications for Excellence in Nevada (BHCEN)

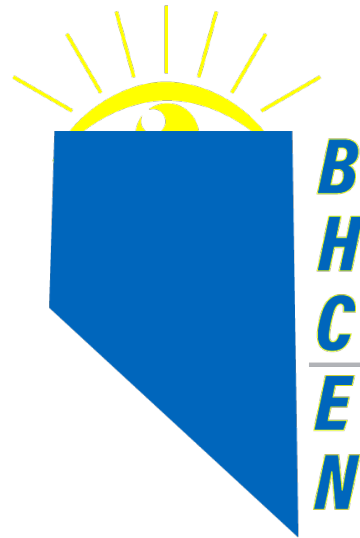
NAC 458.103 Certification required to receive funding from the Division. A program must be certified by the Division to be eligible for any state or federal money for alcohol and drug abuse programs administered by the Division pursuant to chapter 458 of NRS for the prevention or treatment of substance-related disorders.



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What Certification Means...

- Medicaid Reimbursement
- State Funding
- Federal Grants
- Oversight
- Best Practice



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BHCEN

- Approximately 150 + certified substance use treatment and recovery providers across the state and growing
- BHCEN also certifies approximately 50 certified Detox Technicians statewide
- Endorsements include Co-Occurring Disorder Services (COD) and Problem Gambling

History of BBHWP Division Criteria

- Nevada's Division Criteria was developed in 2006 to ensure all certified providers are properly reporting and ensuring best practices. DC has since been revised in 2008, 2009, 2017, 2022, and most recently in 2025 adding Recovery Housing.
- NAC 458.028 “Criteria of the Division” defined. The criteria adopted by the Division in the Administrative Manual of the Division for the prevention or treatment of a substance-related disorder, including, without limitation:
 1. Policies and procedures established by the Division to monitor compliance of programs with certification requirements;
 2. Criteria outlined in the ASAM Criteria: Treatment Criteria for Addictive, Substance-Related, and Co-Occurring Conditions;
 3. Criteria outlined in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders

Current Division Criteria

- Division Criteria adopts ASAM 6-Dimensional Assessment to determine recommendations for initial level of care placement.
- Division Criteria adopts The American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) Criteria: Treatment Criteria for Addictive, Substance-Related, and Co-Occurring Conditions (Third Edition, 2013) for the specific program descriptions for the ASAM specific levels of service.
- Division Criteria contains certification information on: Treatment Levels of Services, Transitional Housing, Service Endorsements, Medication Assisted Treatment centers, Substance Use Prevention Coalitions, Assertive Community Treatment Teams, and the newly approved Recovery Housing option (updated 3/2025).

Future Division Criteria

- BBHWP Division Criteria will continue to add more information as the Office of Behavioral Health Certifications grows and includes other areas of BHCEN such as Mental Health and 988 Mobile Crisis Response. Also looking to add the Nevada Certified Community Behavioral Health Centers (CCBHCs) and Crisis Stabilization Centers (CSCs).



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