

Joe Lombardo
Governor



Richard Whitley,
MS
Director

**DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

 **NEVADA DIVISION of PUBLIC
and BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**



Cody Phinney,
MPH
Administrator

Ihsan Azzam,
Ph.D., M.D.
Chief Medical
Officer

GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
MEETING AGENDA WITH DPBH
January 16, 2025
9:00 am to Adjournment

Pursuant to NRS 241.020(3)(a) as amended by Assembly Bill 253 of the 81st Legislative Session, this meeting will be convened using a remote technology system and there will be no physical location for this meeting. The meeting can be listened to via telephone or viewed live over the Internet.

Meeting Link:

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_MDcxNmQwNjAtMjZmNS00OWYwLWE2ZWUtMTk5MDQyYmI1NTk2%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22e4a340e6-b89e-4e68-8eaa-1544d2703980%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22768e443d-3be6-48f0-9bb0-7e72f1276b8d%22%7d

Please Note: If you experience technical difficulties connecting online, please call into the meeting to participate by phone.

Join By Phone:

+1-775-321-6111

Phone Conference ID Number: 143 357 693#

Note: Agenda items may be taken out of order, combined for consideration, and/or removed from the agenda at the chairperson's discretion.

1. Call to order/roll call – Braden Schrag, Chair

Commission Members: Braden Schrag (Chair); Lisa Ruiz-Lee (Vice-Chair); Lisa Durette M.D.; Natasha Mosby, LCSW; Gregory Giron, Psy.D.; Jasmine Cooper, CPC; Arvin Operario, RN; Dan Ficalora, CPC; Nichole Schembre

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Because there is no physical location for this meeting, public testimony under this agenda item may be presented by phone, online via Microsoft Teams or written comment. Due to time considerations, each caller offering testimony during this period for public comment will be limited to not more than 2:00 minutes. When providing public comment, please remember to unmute your microphone or telephone, and begin by stating your name for the record. To provide public testimony by telephone during this period of public comment, members of the public may call any time after 9:00 a.m. on February 15, 2024. Those wishing to provide public comment by telephone, please dial 1-775-321-6111 and when prompted enter the phone conference ID number 426 900 638#. Members of the public may also request comments be added to the minutes of the meeting by submitting them in writing either in addition to testifying or in lieu of testifying. Written comments may be submitted electronically before, during, or after the meeting by email to

kknutzon@health.nv.gov. You may also mail written documents to the Division of Public and Behavioral Health, 4150 Technology Way, Suite 300, Carson City, NV 89706, or fax them to (775) 687-7570.

3. **ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and Possible Approval of meeting minutes from October 17, 2024–
Commission
4. **ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and Possible Approval of meeting minutes from November 21, 2024–
Commission
5. **ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and Possible Approval of the Following Consent Agenda Items –
Commission
 - a. Approval of Agency Director Reports
 1. Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (NNAMHS)
 2. Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (SNAMHS)
 3. Lake’s Crossing Center
 4. Rural Clinic Services
 5. Sierra Regional Center
 6. Desert Regional Center
 7. Rural Regional Center
6. **ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and possible approval of the Governor’s Letter for 2025 - *Commission*
7. **INFORMATIONAL ITEM:** Update on Behavioral Health Programs from Aging and Disability Services Division – *Megan Wickland, Health Program Manager III, ADSD*
8. **INFORMATIONAL ITEM:** Presentation on Forensic Mental Health Program – *Drew Cross, Statewide Forensic Program Director*
9. **INFORMATIONAL ITEM:** Update on Seclusion and Restraint/Denial of Rights, ADSD – *Marina Valerio, Agency Manager, Desert Regional Center, ADSD*
10. **INFORMATIONAL ITEM:** Update on Seclusion and Restraint/Denial of Rights, DPBH – *Susan Lynch, Hospital Administrator, SNAMHS, DPBH*
11. **ACTION ITEM:** Discussion, Identification, and Possible Approval of Future Agenda Items –
Commission
12. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item until scheduled on an agenda for a later meeting.
13. Adjournment– *Braden Schrag, Chair*

NOTE: Items on the agenda may be taken in any order at the discretion of the Chair. Any agenda items not covered at this meeting may be placed on the agenda for the next scheduled meeting.

Members of the public who are disabled and require special accommodations or assistance at the meeting are requested to notify the Commission Secretary in writing at: Division of Public and Behavioral Health, 4150 Technology Way, 3rd Floor, Carson City, NV 89706, or by calling Sherry Stevens at 775-684-4217 no later than three (3) working days prior to the meeting date.

*Supporting material for this meeting can be obtained at: Division of Public and Behavioral Health, 4150 Technology Way, 3rd Floor, Carson City, NV 89706, or by calling Kelli Knutzon at 775-684-5850 or by visiting <https://dpbh.nv.gov/Boards/CBH/Meetings/2025/NVCBH2025/> .

NOTICES OF PUBLIC MEETING HAVE BEEN POSTED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

DIVISION OF PUBLIC AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH – 4150 Technology Way, Carson City, NV 89706
SOUTHERN NEVADA HEALTH DISTRICT - 280 S. Decatur Blvd, Las Vegas, NV 89107

NOTICES OF PUBLIC MEETING HAVE BEEN POSTED ONLINE AT THE FOLLOWING WEBSITES:

Division of Public and Behavioral Health website:

<https://dpbh.nv.gov/Boards/CBH/Meetings/2025/NVCBH2025/>

Nevada Public Notice website: <https://notice.nv.gov/>