# STATE OF NEVADA DIVISION OF PUBLIC AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH (DPBH) PRIMARY CARE ADVISORY COUNCIL (PCAC)

# **DRAFT MINUTES**

July 29, 2020 9:00 A.M. to Adjournment

#### Teleconference:

In accordance with Governor Sisolak's Declaration of Emergency Directive 006; Subsection 1; The requirement contained in NRS 241.023 (1) (b) that there be a physical location designated for meetings of public bodies where members of the public are permitted to attend and participate is suspended.

## **COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Amir Qureshi, Chair (Call-In) Nancy Bowen (Call-In) Cody Phinney (Call-In) Susan VanBeuge (Call-In) Gerald J. Ackerman (Call-In)

#### **COUNCIL MEMBERS EXCUSED:**

Julie Clyde Jaron Hildebrand

### **DPBH Staff Present:**

Joseph Tucker, Manager, Primary Care Office (PCO) (Carson City) Linda Anderson, DPBH Deputy Attorney General (Call-In)

### Others Present:

N/A

### 1. Roll call and confirmation of quorum.

J. Tucker read the roll call and stated that there was a quorum present.

#### 2. Approval of minutes:

A. Qureshi, asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes from the June 02, meeting. No recommendations were made.

First Motion: S. VanBeuge Second Motion: G. Ackerman Motion: PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

- 3. Recommendation to the Administrator for the Division of Public and Behavioral Health regarding a J-1 Physician Visa Waiver Letter of Support for Dr. Deepthi Ciddi.
  - J. Tucker presented summary handout of the completed application.

#### **Member Comment:**

- N. Bowen asked about why the patient breakdown had no Nevada Checkup or Sliding Fee patients and asked whether or not they take uninsured patients.
- J. Tucker clarified that the practice submitted an SFS but would follow up with practice.

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A. Qureshi noted Nevada Checkup and Sliding Fee were both 0.

J Tucker explained that sometimes Nevada Check-up is combined with Medicaid.

A. Qureshi asked if the State has previously granted slots to this practice.

J Tucker responded that this is a hospitalist position that accepts all patients regardless of ability to pay

A. Qureshi asked staff to specify the practice site location and if the physician is being hired as a hospitalist.

J. Tucker confirmed that to be correct.

A. Qureshi clarified that there should be no issue.

N. Bowen noted that the practice may be combining SFS and charity care in the same category.

**Public Comment: None** 

Chair entertained a motion on item 3.

First Motion: G. Ackerman moved to recommend to Administrator to provide a letter of support for the

Application.

**Second Motion:** Cody Phinney

Motion: PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO AWAIT FURTHER INFORMATION

#### 4. Public Comment

L. Anderson announced her retirement on September 8, 2020 and Thanks the PCAC for their collaboration with her over the years.

All members of the council thanked Linda and wished her well.

# 5. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 AM