

**NORTHERN REGIONAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH POLICY BOARD
AGENDA**

DATE: November 7th, 2024

TIME: 2:00 p.m. to Adjournment

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AGENDA

1.) Call to Order and Roll Call

(Chair – Dr. Shayla Holmes / Vice Chair – Laura Yanez)

Members:

Dr. Ali Banister

Senator - Dr. Robin Titus

Laura Yanez

Nicki Aaker

Lana Robards

Sheriff Ken Furlong

Dr. Shayla Holmes

Erik Schoen

Sandy Wartgow

Dr. Alana Rogne

Daria Singer

*Two vacant board seats: NRS 433.429

- a. 7(a) Representative of hospitals, residential long-term care facilities, or acute inpatient behavioral health facilities
- b. 8(e) Private or public insurer representative; if not available, “another person who has experience in the field of insurance or working with insurers.”

2.) PUBLIC COMMENT

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3.) For Possible Action: Review and approve the agenda for the policy board meeting for today, November 7th, 2024. (Chair Holmes and Policy Board Members)

4.) For Possible Action: Review and possible approval of meeting minutes from October 3rd, 2024. (Chair Holmes and Policy Board Members)

5.) For Possible Action: Review and vote on the nomination for the vacant board seat: 8(e) Private or public insurer representative; if not available, “another person who has experience in the field of insurance or working with insurers.” (Chair Holmes and Policy Board Members)

Candidates:

Lori Follett – Chief, Behavioral Health Benefits Coverage Team

Kim Riggs – Statewide Manager, Nevada Recovery Friendly Workplace Initiative

6.) Informational: Presentation from MCO – CareSource: Erik Van Allen, Vice President of Business Development (Chair Holmes and Policy Board Members)

7.) Informational: Presentations from the Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board Coordinators/Chairs on the Regional Policy Board’s 84th 2025 Legislative BDR submissions. (Regional Behavioral Health Coordinators and/or Chair of the Regional Boards)

- Rural Region – Valerie Haskins
- Southern Region – Mark Funkhouser
- Washoe Region – Dorothy Edwards
- Clark Region -- Char Frost or Jamie Ross

8.) Informational: Presentation from Black Swan Consulting on the BSCA Needs Assessment - Sydonie Neysmith MBA, Lead Consultant, Black Swan Consulting, Inc. (Chair Holmes and Policy Board Members)

9.) Informational: Presentation on BeHERE Nevada and the upcoming advocacy consortium they are developing - Dr. Sara Hunt, PhD. Executive Director BeHERE Nevada (Chair Holmes and Policy Board Members)

10.) Informational:

Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator and Policy Board Member updates regarding mental health, substance use/opioid use disorder (SUD/ODU) concerns, homelessness, deflection and diversion programs, initiatives, upcoming trainings and events, and overall successes and gaps in their area of specialty. Including updates on the 83rd (2025) Legislative Session. (Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator, Policy Board Members)

11.) Informational:

Local Behavioral Health Taskforce updates regarding mental health and substance use/opioid use disorder (SUD/OD) concerns, initiatives, trainings, data reports, successes, and gaps in each area. (Behavioral Health Taskforce appointees)

Behavioral Taskforce Board Representatives/designees by county:

- Carson – Nicki Aaker
- Churchill – Gabrielle Stone
- Douglas – Daria Singer
- Lyon – Dr. Shayla Holmes
- Storey – Erik Schoen

12.) Informational: Discussion of Future Agenda Items:

DECEMBER – Managed Care Organizations (MCO's) presentation

BDR Support and Advocacy Presentations

SafeVoice presentation and updated data for the Northern Behavioral Health Region – Desiree Mattice

Rural Children's Mental Health Consortium update on 10-Year Strategic Plan and Consortium updates - Chair Melissa Washabaugh

Statewide Coalition Strategic Plan update – Jamie Ross

State Opioid Report update – Dawn Yohey or Regional Coordinator

13.) Informational: Discuss and make possible recommendations for the board's next meeting on Thursday, December 5th, 2024, @ 2:00 PM – In Person – Carson City (Nicki and Sandy to decide)

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15.) Adjournment (Chair and/or Vice Chair)

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4600 Kietzke Lane, Suite I-209, Reno Nevada

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