

Proposed 2022 Northern Region Behavioral Health Policy Board BDR Concepts

BDR Topic	Overview	Point of Contact	Correlating Board Priority/Strategy	Benefits	Challenges
<p>Community Health Workers (CHWs)</p>	<p>Expands Medicaid reimbursement for CHWs for Behavioral Health Services</p>	<p>Jay Kolbet-Clausell Program Manager Nevada Community Health Worker Association jay@hccslsc.org</p>	<p><u>Priority:</u> Regional Board Infrastructure Development</p> <p><u>Strategy:</u> Explore Regional Behavioral Health Authorities</p>	<p><u>Solution for:</u> CHWs are not reimbursable for providers under the supervision of a physician, PA, or APRN who bills Medicaid for the following: -Behavioral Health Outpatient Treatment PT 14 -Behavioral Health Rehabilitative Treatment PT 82 -Special Clinics PT 17 -Specialty 215 Substance Abuse Agency Model</p> <p>*Evidence to support CHW effectiveness is available.</p> <p>*Opportunity to expand Medicaid reimbursement of CHWs under the supervision of behavioral health clinicians also.</p>	<p>Fiscal note(s)? –</p>
<p>Regional Behavioral Health Authority (RBHAs)</p>	<p>Updates NRS 433c with enabling language for establishment of local/regional behavioral health authorities</p>	<p>Cherylyn Rahr-Wood Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator</p> <p>RBHA Subcommittee Co-Chairs Nicki Aaker naaker@carson.org Shayla Holmes sholmes@lyon-county.org</p>	<p><u>Priority:</u> Regional Board Infrastructure Development</p> <p><u>Strategy:</u> Explore Regional Behavioral Health Authorities</p>	<p><u>Solution for:</u> Several areas have been identified where additional infrastructure could lead to greater efficiency as the Northern region works to develop a more sophisticated behavioral health system.</p> <p>Allows for Nevada to adopt local/regional behavioral health authority models/concepts similar to those in other states that allow for</p>	<p>Need to establish language that is feasible for all 5 regions and for multiple sectors including county governments, state of Nevada, behavioral health providers, etc.</p>

				<p>greater efficiency and use of resources such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RBHAs Housed At - Community Mental Health Centers RBHAs Housed At – County Behavioral Health Agencies/Governing Boards RBHAs Housed At – Human Services Districts or Public Health Districts Regional Managed Care Models 	
<p>Nevada Mental Health Workforce Education Network</p>	<p>Establishes a Nevada Mental Health Workforce Education Network – modeled after Nebraska’s BHECN</p>	<p>Dr. Sara Hunt UNLV Mental and Behavioral Health Training Coalition – sara.hunt@unlv.edu</p>	<p>Priority: Behavioral Health Workforce with capacity to treat adults and youth</p> <p>Strategy: The Northern Board supports a tiered approach for a calibrated mental health system that includes a robust relationship between clinicians, community health workers (CHW), and peers.</p>	<p><u>Establishes Nevada Mental Health Workforce Education Network to:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Facilitate recruitment into careers/retention programs -Mentor matching in geographic locations -Workshops and conferences for licensed professionals -Data tracking -Policy -Statewide mental health jobs board <p>Also, brings resources and supports AHECs</p>	<p>Fiscal note(s)?</p>
<p>Youth Mental Health Services -Juvenile Court v. Family Court</p>	<p>Possible solution to challenges for commitment of youth in need of mental health services by a juvenile court</p>	<p>Dr. Cindy Pitlock DCFS Administrator c.pitlock@dcfs.nv.gov</p> <p>David Laity Chief, Youth Parole Bureau</p>	<p>*Not directly identified in 2021 Priorities, Strategies and Recommendations</p>	<p><i>*Will receive additional information at July 7, 2022 Board Meeting</i></p>	<p><i>*Will receive additional information at July 7, 2022 Board Meeting</i></p>

	versus a family court	DLAITY@dcfs.nv.gov			
Safer Suicide Care	Establishes the Nevada zero suicide initiative within the department of health and human services, division of public and behavioral health, and the office of suicide prevention.	Cherylyn Rahr-Wood Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator Cherylyn@nrhp.org (former Zero Suicide Coordinator)	*Not directly identified in 2021 Priorities, Strategies and Recommendations	<u>Formally adopts Zero Suicide</u> The goal and purpose of the ZS initiative is to reduce injury and death by suicide in Nevada through comprehensive, system-level suicide prevention strategies, to include trainings, for health care systems, including mental and behavioral health systems, physical and mental health clinics in educational institutions, (Department of Corrections) and primary care clinics. <i>*Will receive additional information at July 7, 2022 Board Meeting</i>	<i>*Will receive additional information at July 7, 2022 Board Meeting</i> Fiscal note(s)?
Supportive Housing Solutions		Sarah Adler Belz and Case Government Affairs	<u>Priority:</u> Affordable and supportive housing and other social determinants of health <u>Strategy:</u> The Board established a formal subcommittee to address affordable and supportive		<i>*Will receive additional information at July 7, 2022 Board Meeting</i> Fiscal note(s)?

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