

**NORTHERN REGIONAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH POLICY BOARD  
AGENDA**

**DATE: March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**TIME: 2:00 p.m. to Adjournment**

**Meeting Locations**

**This meeting will be via teleconference at:**

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- 1.) Call to Order and Roll Call  
(Chair Taylor Allison/Vice Chair Ali Banister)

**Members:**

Taylor Allison (Chair)

Dr. Ali Banister (Vice-Chair)

Dr. Robin Titus

Laura Yanez

Nicki Aaker

Lana Robards

Sheriff Ken Furlong

Shayla Holmes

Erik Schoen

Dr. Amy Hyne-Sutherland

Sandy Wartgow

**2.) PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public testimony under this agenda item may be presented by a computer, phone, or written comment. Due to time considerations, each individual offering public comment will be limited to not more than **three (3)** minutes.

**3.) For Possible Action:** Review and possible approval of meeting minutes from January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 (Chair Taylor Allison and Board members)

**4.) Informational:** Presentation on the Washoe Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board Bill – AB69 Expands the loan repayment program administered by the Nevada Health Service Corps to include certain providers of behavioral health care. (Dorothy Edwards, Washoe Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board Coordinator)

**5.) Informational:** Presentation on the Mercers Nevada Opioids Needs Assessment and Statewide Plan 2022 – SB390, codified in NRS established that a needs assessment must be completed and must use qualitative, quantitative data, and evidenced-based practices to show results. (Dawn Yohey, MFT, LCADC Clinical Program Planner 3, DHHS, Director’s Office, Fund for a Resilient Nevada)

**6.) For Possible Action:** Review, discussion, and possible approval of updates to the Board Regional Behavioral Health Authority Bill AB9; which revises provisions governing regional behavioral health policy boards, based on community feedback (Board Members and Cherylyn Rahr-Wood, Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator)

**7.) For Possible Action:** The Northern Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board will review, discuss, and provide direction to Board Chair and Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator regarding legislation for the 83<sup>rd</sup> Nevada Legislation. Legislation includes: Assembly Bill 7, Assembly Bill 37, Assembly Bill 38, Assembly Bill 45, Assembly Bill 68, Assembly Bill 69, Senate Bill 68, Senate Bill 117, and Assembly Bill 201.

| Bill Number      | Bill Overview  | Direction |
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| Assembly Bill 7  | Revises provisions relating to electronic health records.  |           |
| Assembly Bill 37 | Authorizes the establishment of the Behavioral Health Workforce Development Center of Nevada. (From the Rural RBHPB)   |           |
| Assembly Bill 38 | Revises provisions relating to the Workforce Innovations for a New Nevada Account  |           |
| Assembly Bill 45 | Creates a program to repay the student education loans of certain providers of health care.  |           |
| Assembly Bill 68 | Revises provisions governing the assessment imposed on certain counties for the operation of a regional facility for the treatment and rehabilitation of children. (China Springs) |           |

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| Assembly Bill 69                         | Expands the loan repayment program administered by the Nevada Health Service Corps to include certain providers of behavioral health care (BDR 34-399). (From the Washoe RBHPB)  |  |
| Senate Bill 201; Just introduced 2/20/23 | AN ACT relating to behavioral health; requiring the Commission on Behavioral Health to provide certain oversight and make certain recommendations concerning the children's behavioral health system of care; requiring the formulation and operation of comprehensive state plans to provide behavioral health services for adults and children; requiring the certification of persons and entities who receive federal or state money to provide such services; requiring the adoption of clinical standards of care for the provision of such services; revising certain duties of the Commission, regional behavioral health policy boards and mental health consortiums of this State; and providing other matters properly relating thereto |  |
| Senate Bill 68                           | Establishes programs to provide certain assistance relating to housing. (From the Clark RBHPB)   |  |
| Senate Bill 117                          | Expands community health worker reimbursement to include reimbursement for behavioral health services.   |  |

- 8.) **Informational:** Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator and Board Member updates regarding: mental health and substance use/opioid concerns, initiatives, upcoming trainings and events, and overall successes and gaps in their area of specialty. (Cherylyn Rahr-Wood, Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator, Board Members)
- 9.) **Informational:** Local Behavioral Health Taskforce updates regarding: mental health and substance use/opioid concerns, initiatives, trainings, data reports, successes and gaps in their area. (Board Behavioral Taskforce appointees)

**Behavioral Taskforce Board Representatives/designees:**

- Carson – Nicki Aaker
- Churchill – Shannon Ernst
- Douglas – Daria Winslow
- Lyon – Shayla Holmes
- Storey – Erik Schoen

12.) **For Possible Action:** Discussion/Approval of Future Agenda Items.

13.) **Informational:** Next meeting is on April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 2:00 PM until adjourned.

14.) **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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**15.) Adjournment** (Taylor Allision, Chair)

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