

**NORTHERN REGIONAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH POLICY BOARD  
AGENDA**

**DATE: February 2<sup>nd</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 January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023, meeting (Chair Taylor Allison and Board members)
- 4.) Informational:** Presentation on Nevada’s Medicaid QRR Quadrennial Rate Review Survey – NRS 422.2704 requires that, every four (4) years, the State of Nevada, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) review the rate of reimbursement for each service or item provided under the State Plan for Medicaid to determine whether the rate of reimbursement accurately reflects the actual cost of providing the service or item. This is that survey. (Kimberly Adams, Manager, Rate Analysis and Development Unit, Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy and Joseph Turner)
- 5.) Informational:** Presentation on the Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board Bill – AB37 Authorizes the establishment of the Behavioral Health Workforce Development Center of Nevada (Valerie Cauhape Haskins, Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board Coordinator)
- 6.) For Possible Action:** Review, discussion, and possible approval of updates to the Board Regional Behavioral Health Authority Bill AB9 based on community feedback (Board Members and Cherylyn Rahr-Wood, Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator)
- 7.) Informational:** The Northern Rural RBHC will also outline bills publicly available in NELIS that affect behavioral health programs and services, or those which may otherwise affect the Northern Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board in any other way. Current bills for the upcoming 82<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Nevada Legislature that will be discussed are below:

Bill Number	Topic
Assembly Bill 6	Revises provisions relating to the cost of health care.
Assembly Bill 9	Revises provisions governing regional behavioral health policy boards. (From the Northern RBHPB)
Assembly Bill 37	Authorizes the establishment of the Behavioral Health Workforce Development Center of Nevada. (From the Rural RBHPB)
Assembly Bill 45	Creates a program to repay the student education loans of certain providers of health care.
Assembly Bill 69	Expands the loan repayment program administered by the Nevada Health Service Corps to include certain providers of behavioral health care. (From the Washoe RBHPB)

Senate Bill 68	Establishes programs to provide certain assistance relating to housing. (From the Clark RBHPB)
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**8.) Informational:** Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator, Board Members, and taskforce appointee updates regarding: mental health and substance use/opioid concerns, initiatives, successes and gaps in their area of specialty; upcoming trainings undertaken and delivered; opportunities for policy improvement; new resources identified; progress of local projects; any new data or information available to guide the board; service gaps and other challenges encountered in the region; upcoming state, local, and regional events. (Cherylyn Rahr-Wood, Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator, Board Members and Taskforce appointees)

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

**10.) Informational:** Next meeting is on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023, at 2:00 PM until adjourned.

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

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

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4600 Kietzke Lane Suite I-209

4150 Technology Way, Carson City, Nevada

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