



**Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board
MEETING AGENDA
May 26, 2021
1:00 PM to adjourn**

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. Meeting Locations: Online Only

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1. Call to order/roll call – *Chair (Fergus Laughridge)*

Members: Senator Pete Goicoechea, Bryce Shields, Jeri Sanders, Matt Walker, Amy Adams, Amanda Osborne, Brooke O'Byrne, Dr. Erica Ryst, and Chair Fergus Laughridge.

2. 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)

3. Review and Approval of Minutes from March 24, 2021

For Possible Action

(Fergus Laughridge, Board Chair)

4. Scheduling of Future Meetings of the Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board
For Possible Action

(Fergus Laughridge, Board Chair and Valerie Cauhape Haskin, Rural Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator)

Members of the Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board will decide upon the scheduling of future meetings of the Board through the end of calendar year 2021.

5. Updates and Possible Approval of Recommendations to Amend SB 44

For Possible Action

(Fergus Laughridge, Board Chair and Valerie Cauhape Haskin, Rural Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator)

Updates will be given regarding the current status of the Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board's bill during the 81st session of the Nevada Legislature, SB 44, which affects statute relating to behavioral health occupational licensing boards (NRS 641, NRS 641A, NRS 641B, and NRS 641C). The Board may discuss and possibly take action to recommend amendments to SB 44 to the Board Chair and Rural RBHC to work with the committee in which the bill sits, as needed.

6. Updates and possible recommendation for letters of support of bills from the Northern, Washoe, and Clark Regional Behavioral Health Policy Boards

For Possible Action

(Jessica Flood – Northern Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator, Dorothy Edwards – Washoe Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator, and Teresa Etcheberry – Clark Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator)

Each of the Regional Behavioral Health Coordinators (RBHCs) will provide a brief overview of their bill and its current status in the 81st session of the Nevada Legislature. The Board may take action to direct the Rural Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator and/or the Board Chair to write letters in support of the bills on the Board's behalf. The bills that may be presented on include:

SB 56: Revises provisions governing insurance coverage of behavioral health services, including equitable access to telehealth (bill of the Clark RBHPB)

SB 69: Revises provisions relating to behavioral health, including those regarding peer support certification and YRBS permissions for participation (bill of the Washoe RBHPB)

SB 70: Revises provisions governing mental health, specifically affecting NRS 433A related to mental health crisis holds (bill of the Northern RBHPB)

7. Updates and Possible Direction to Board Chair and/or Rural RBHC regarding Behavioral Health Bills in the Nevada Legislature **For Possible Action**

(Fergus Laughridge, Board Chair, Senator Pete Goicoechea, and Valerie Cauhape Haskin, Rural Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator)

The Board will be presented with the current status of bills in the 81st session of the Nevada Legislature which may impact behavioral health services in the Rural Region and across the state.

The Board may take action to direct the Rural Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator and/or the Board Chair to write letters in support or against bills on the Board's behalf.

Not all bills which are listed here will be discussed at length, and bills may be taken out of order. Bills that could be mentioned or discussed include:

AB 23, AB 24, and AB 25: relate to the commitment, processing, care, and conditional release of criminal defendants with mental illness.

AB 81: Revises provisions relating to voluntary services provided by health providers

AB 96: Creates Emergency Response Employees Mental Health Commission – to address needs of emergency response personnel

AB 167: Mental Health resources to be printed on all student IDs

AB 181: Insurance coverage parity for mental health services

AB 191: Medicaid coverage for certain services provided by Community Health Workers

AB 259: Revises provisions relating to psychiatric residential treatment facilities

AB 273: Revises provisions relating to mental health consortia for children

AB 315: Revises provisions relating to certain public employees (fire, law enforcement, and EMS)

AB 327: Requires certain mental health professionals to complete continuing education relating to cultural competency

AB 336: Requires an annual behavioral health assessment of peace officers

AB 345: Revises provisions relating to substance use disorders

AB 366: Revises provisions governing mental health records

AB 374: Establishes requirements governing the expenditure of proceeds of litigation related to opioids

AB 439: Licensing by endorsement for health occupations

AB 442: Revises requirements concerning training of certain providers of health care

ACR 5: Interim Study of behavioral health workforce

SB 5: Makes changes relating to telehealth

SB 32: Makes various changes relating to offenders with substance use or co-occurring disorders

SB 36: Revises provisions relating to plans for responses to crises, emergencies, and suicides by schools

SB 40: Improved health care collection and database

SB 93: Direct reimbursement for personal care services paid by Medicaid recipients out of pocket; suspension rather than termination of Medicaid coverage for incarceration with reinstatement upon release.

SB 116: Mental health training in schools, identifying mental health concerns while distance learning.

SB 146: Revises provisions relating to mental health services for children; psychiatric facilities must consult with child's psychiatrist, if available

SB 154: Makes changes related to Medicaid coverage of certain treatments administered at institutions for mental diseases

SB 156: Revises provisions relating to crisis stabilization centers

SB 181: Revises provisions relating to alcohol and drug counselors

SB 208: Revises provisions relating to behavioral health; licensure by endorsement and autism services

SB 210: Revises provisions relating to the education of a child with an emotional disturbance

SB 217: Revises provisions related to applied behavior analysis

SB 230: Enacts provisions relating to mental health; impacts of distance education on pupil mental health.

SB 233: Makes an appropriation relating to health services in underserved areas.

SB 341: Revises provisions relating to health care, including requiring a managed care plan that provides behavioral health services to recipients of Medicaid to prepare and implement a plan to ensure the delivery of such services in a culturally competent manner

SB 366: Revises provisions relating to juvenile competency

SB 379: Provides for the collection of certain data concerning providers of health care

SB 390: Provides for the establishment of a statewide suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline

SB 402: Revises provisions relating to regulatory bodies, including licensure by endorsement.

8. Board Member Discussion: Upcoming Presentation Requests **Informational**

(Fergus Laughridge, Board Chair and Valerie Cauhape Haskin, Rural Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator)

Members of the Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board will discuss what topics on which they would like to receive presentations in upcoming meetings.

9. Public Comment

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10. Additional Announcements **Informational**

11. Adjournment – Chair (Fergus Laughridge)

In accordance with Nevada Governor Sisolak's Declaration of Emergency Directive 006 there will not be a physical location for the Governor's Commission on Behavioral Health Meeting regarding the Annual Governor's Letter. The public is strongly encouraged to participate by phone using phone number 1-669-900-6833 Access Code 775-684-5906 and downloading any material provided for the meeting at the website addresses below.

- As per Nevada Governor Sisolak's Declaration of Emergency Directive 006; Subsection 3: The requirements contained in NRS 241.020 (4) (a) that public notice agendas be posted at physical locations within the State of Nevada are suspended.
- As per Nevada Governor Sisolak's Declaration of Emergency Directive 006; Subsection 4: Public bodies must still comply with requirements in NRS 241.020 (4)(b) and NRS 241.020 (4)(c) that public notice agendas be posted to Nevada's notice website and the public body's website, if it maintains one along with providing a copy to any person who has requested one via U.S. mail or electronic mail.
- As per Nevada Governor Sisolak's Declaration of Emergency Directive 006; Subsection 5: The requirement contained in NRS 241.020 (3)(c) that physical locations

be available for the public to receive supporting material for public meetings is suspended.

- As per Nevada Governor Sisolak's Declaration of Emergency Directive 006; Subsection 6: If a public body holds a meeting and does not provide a physical location where supporting material is available to the public, the public body must provide on its public notice agenda the name and contact information for the person designated by the public body from whom a member of the public may request supporting material electronically and must post supporting material to the public body's website, if it maintains one.

AGENDA POSTED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

- **Department of Health and Human Services Website**
www.dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/Grants/Advisory_Committees/ACPG/ACPG_Workforce_Development_Workgroup/
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We are pleased to make reasonable accommodations for members of the public who are disabled and wish to attend the meeting. In the event of videoconference technical difficulties, the meeting may be conducted by teleconference from the same location. If special arrangements are necessary, please notify Rhonda Buckley, Bureau of Behavioral Health Wellness and Prevention, in writing please send to, 4126 Technology Way, Suite 200, Carson City, Nevada 89706 or by calling (775) 684-4081 before the meeting date. Anyone who wants to be on the advisory council mailing list can sign up on the listserv at www.listserv.state.nv.us/cgi-bin/wa?HOME.

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