

**RURAL REGIONAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH POLICY BOARD  
AGENDA**

**DATE: October 6, 2023**

**TIME: 1:00 pm to adjourn**

**Meeting Location: Online Only**

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**1.) Call to Order and Roll Call (Fergus Laughridge, Chair)**

Members of the Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board: Chair Fergus Laughridge, Brooke O'Byrne, Senator Pete Goicoechea, Dr. Erika Ryst, Matt Walker, Amy Adams, Amanda Osborne, Chris McHan, Patrick Rogers, Sarah Dearborn, Bryce Shields, and Jeri Sanders.

**2.) Public Comment:**

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**3.) For Possible Action: Review and possible approval of meeting minutes from July 7, 2023 (Fergus Laughridge, Chair)**

**4.) For Possible Action: Discussion and possible approval of Rural RBHPB Strategic Planning Survey (Valerie Haskin, Rural RBHC)**

As approved during the Rural RBHPB's July meeting, the Rural RBHC will provide the Board with its results of a strategic planning survey. The purpose of this survey is to utilize the Board's 2023 Priorities to identify what activities the Board itself may be able to feasibly engage in through the 2024-2026 triennium. Discussion surrounding the survey results will focus on selecting activities the Board wishes to include in its strategic plan. The Board may approve activities to be included in its strategic plan. At the direction of the Board, these approved activities will be utilized by the Rural RBHC to create an initial draft strategic plan for the Rural RBHPB, to be discussed and possibly approved at a future meeting.

**5.) Informational: Updates regarding the outcomes of Assembly Bill 37 (2023) and the development of the Behavioral Health Workforce Development Center of Nevada (Dr. Sara Hunt, UNLV School of Medicine)**

Dr. Hunt will provide updates regarding the progress to date of the development of the Behavioral Health Workforce Development Center of Nevada, approved through the passing of Assembly Bill 37, sponsored by the Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board during the 82<sup>nd</sup> (2023) session of the Nevada Legislature.

**6.) Informational: Updates regarding the activities, resources, challenges, and other work of the Rural Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator (Rural RBHC) (Valerie Haskin, Rural RBHC)**

Updates from the Rural Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator (Rural RBHC), regarding: 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; and recent activities undertaken by task forces and other entities relating to behavioral health.

**7.) Public Comment**

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**8.) Adjournment (Fergus Laughridge, Chair)**

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If you need supporting documents for this meeting, please notify Valerie Haskin, Rural Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator by email at [vcauhape@thefamilysupportcenter.org](mailto:vcauhape@thefamilysupportcenter.org), or by phone at (775) 300-3245.