WHAT WE ARE

The Behavioral Health Planning and Advisory Council (BHPAC) for the State of Nevada was established by an Executive Order in 1989, as the Mental Health Planning and Advisory Council. The Executive Order was amended, and the Council was renamed in 2013. The Nevada BHPAC is made up of 23 members that serve as an advisory body to the Division of Public and Behavioral Health and Division of Child and Family Services on the development of the state behavioral health plan.



WHY WE EXIST

Nevada receives federal block grant funds annually for the improvement of the behavioral health system of care. Public Law 102-321 requires all states that receive these funds to engage in a comprehensive planning process for allocating them. The planning process must include ongoing direction and feedback from the members of the advisory council.

WHO WE ARE

Appointments to the Council are made by Nevada's Governor. Individuals in recovery from mental health and/or substance use disorders, parents of children with behavioral health challenges, and family members of adults in recovery constitute the majority of the members. Additional seats are held by representatives of state agencies, service providers and advocacy organizations. Members are encouraged to use their unique voices in pursuit of our mission.



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Nevada BHPAC MEETINGS

Nevada BHPAC meetings are open to the public and the dates and times of scheduled meetings can be found at https://dpbh.nv.gov/Programs/ClinicalBHSP/ Meetings/2024/BHPAC 2024 Meetings/

WORKING TOGETHER

The Nevada BHPAC seeks to be an active voice for all Nevadans affected by behavioral health challenges by forming a partnership of individuals in recovery, their parents and family members, providers, state agencies, and advocacy organizations.



The Nevada BHPAC <u>invites</u> public or behavioral health agencies to come before the board with questions, concerns, and requests.

OUR MISSION

The Nevada BHPAC serves as an advocate for individuals with chronic mental illness, children and youth with severe emotional disturbance, other individuals with mental illnesses or emotional problems, and persons with substance abuse and cooccurring disorders, as well as their families.

OUR VISION

We believe that all children, adolescents, and adults in Nevada have the right to recovery-oriented behavioral health services that are affordable, consumerdriven, value their individuality, assist them to achieve their fullest potential, and enable them to live and thrive in their community.



MEMBERS DUTEIS

Review: State's Mental Health Block Grant applications, state plans, implementation reports, and formally submit any recommended modifications.

Advocate: For all individuals with, at risk of, or in recovery from behavioral health disorders, their parents and family members.

Monitor, Review, and Evaluate: The allocation and adequacy of behavioral health services within the state no less than annually.

Commit: To a 4-year term with less than three unexcused absences within any twelve-month period



JOIN THE COUNCIL

Nevada BHPAC is seeking new members. Membership applications are available at https://gov.nv.gov/Boards/Boards Home/

For questions, interested candidates can call 775-684-5670 or email boards@gov.nv.gov.