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**Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health  
Nevada Central Cancer Registry  
Proposed Amendments to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC):  
457, 459, 449, & 652  
Public Workshop Summary  
May 26, 2022**

### In Attendance

- Aundrea Ogushi
- Lindsey Kinsinger
- Rani Reed
- Savannah Pimentel
- Samantha Sato-Carrara
- Jesse Wadhams
- Joan Hall
- Ty Allen
- Penny Begay
- Sarah Scott
- Brittany Walker
- Katia Lektorich
- Cathleen Lynch
- Linda Anderson
- Penny Burke

Public workshop commenced at 9:00 am Via Microsoft Teams.

**Savannah Pimentel**, Administrative Assistant II with the Nevada Central Cancer Registry (NCCR) within the Division of Public and Behavioral Health, opened the public workshop to consider amendments to Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB) File #R010-22, by welcoming participants.

**Ms. Pimentel** thanked participants for joining the public workshop and expressed the Program's appreciation for everyone's time. She reviewed the administrative rules for the workshop and asked participants to mute their microphones until it was time for public comment. She informed the participants that she would be monitoring the chat for any comments.

Ms. Pimentel also, stated the workshop would be conducted in accordance with NRS 241.020, Nevada's Open Meeting Law. A copy of the regulations, small business impact statement, and this workshop notice were made available on the NCCR webpage,

([https://dphh.nv.gov/Programs/NCCR/Nevada Central Cancer Registry Regulation Public Workshops and Public Hearings/](https://dphh.nv.gov/Programs/NCCR/Nevada_Central_Cancer_Registry_Regulation_Public_Workshops_and_Public_Hearings/)) Copies were also available through the Nevada Legislature's website [www.leg.state.nv.us](http://www.leg.state.nv.us) and via the Team's chat. Additionally, copies were made available by mail by calling the Division of Public and Behavioral Health at 775-684-5968 in Carson City or in Las Vegas. Regulations were on file and available to view at the Division of Public and Behavioral Health 4126 Technology Way, Suite 200 Carson City NV 89706 and 3811 W. Charleston Blvd, Suite 205 Las Vegas, NV. 89102.

**Ms. Pimentel** introduced Aundrea Ogushi, Nevada Cancer Registry Program Manager

**Aundrea Ogushi** stated the purpose of the workshop, which was to solicit input from interested persons on the proposed regulations drafted. She elaborated that following the workshop, the draft regulations are subset to a public hearing rulemaking process conducted by the Board of Health (BOH). Updates regarding this and other related meetings will be posted to the NCCR website. Ms. Ogushi stated the proposed regulations being heard today (May 26, 2022) would be presented at a future Board of Health meeting and appropriate notice would be forthcoming. Ms. Ogushi encouraged any questions regarding the approval process to be submitted to NCCR Staff by visiting the NCCR website.

The proposed revisions to NAC 457, 459, 449, & 652 in accordance with Assembly Bill 471 (AB 471) of the 2021 Legislative session. These proposed amended regulations would bring NCCR back into compliance with AB 471, which adds an additional fee of a minimum of 6 percent, not to exceed 8 percent, to the renewal costs of certain health care facilities and medical laboratories licenses to help fund the NCCR. As such, this fee will be included in renewal applications for 2022. The list of facilities affected are as follows: Surgical centers for ambulatory patients, facilities for treatment of irreversible renal disease, facilities for hospice care, program of hospice care, hospitals and facilities for skilled nursing, agencies to provide personal care services in home, rural clinics, medical labs except for labs that only perform waived HIV testing.

Additionally, these regulations also remove and clarify the confusing language regarding entities obligated to report to the registry by providing clear definitions to be used for understanding of the entity. Ms. Ogushi reiterated that these amended regulations would expand the NCCR authority to enforce cancer registry reporting requirements across the board for providers who diagnose or provide treatment for the cancer or other neoplasms. These regulations will also provide means to build sustainable revenue source to provide additional positions for program operations.

Ms. Ogushi opened the floor for public comment.

## Public Comment(s)

**Ty Allen** with North Vista Hospital asked how to register with the NCCR, Aundrea Ogushi, NCCR Program Manager responded to his question asking that Ty Allen reach out to her directly to get more information for reporting with the NCCR.

**Joan Hall** with the Nevada Rural Hospital Partners expressed her gratitude towards NCCR staff and spoke in support of the proposed regulations.

**Aundrea Ogushi** addressed the participants stating if no further comment from the public was available the meeting would be adjourned.

Public workshop adjourned at 9:11a.m.