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ADVISORY COUNCIL ON PALLIATIVE CARE AND QUALITY OF LIFE MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, October 17, 2024

3:00 p.m.

MEETING LOCATIONS

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Call-in number: 1-775-321-6111 | Conference ID: 162 882 613#

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NOTE: Agenda items may be taken out of order, combined for consideration, and/or removed from the agenda at the chairperson's discretion.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Members:

- Kim Anderson-Mackey, council chair
- Veneta Lepera, BA, BSN, RN, council vice chair
- Eddie Belluomini
- Angela Berg, APRN
- Mary-Ann Brown, RN, MSN, CHPCA, GCHCE HEC-C
- Kelly Conright, MD
- Marilynn Jeanne Hesterlee, RN
- Tom McCoy, JD
- Antonio Narvaez Ramos
- Stephanie Schneider

State Support Staff:

- Claire Walton, Education and Information Officer
- Pierron Tackes, Deputy Attorney General

2. Public Comment

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this public comment opportunity. Call in to participate: 1-775-321-6111 (conference ID: 162 882 613#).

3. Possible action: Discussion and possible action to approve prior council meeting minutes:
 - a. July 25, 2024
4. Informational Item: Discussion of Palliative Care Awareness Day (Nov. 13, 2024) — Kim Anderson-Mackey. Details include location, speakers and topics, start and end times, communications (flyer, social media, web content), vendors.
5. Informational Item: Discussion about council members' duties related to Palliative Care Awareness Day — Mary-Ann Brown.
6. 2025 Nevada Legislative Session Subcommittee
 - a. Action Item: Discussion and possible action to create a Palliative Care Council subcommittee on 2025 Nevada Legislative Session.
 - b. Informational Item: Discussion of BDR 124, sponsored by Senator Pazina, which will revise the provisions relating to newborn screening — Tom McCoy
 - c. Informational Item: Discussion on the “While You Wait” needs assessment campaign that will evaluate the diagnosis and patient management aspects crucial for the continuation of care of individuals with rare diseases in Nevada — Kim Anderson-Mackey
7. Action Item: Discussion and possible action to create a subcommittee to plan an education event in Northern Nevada on May 1, 2025 — Kim Anderson and Mary-Ann Brown.
8. Informational Item: Celebration of the retirement of Patti Pollina — Veneta Lepera
9. Action Item: Discussion and possible action to recommend to the Director of Department of Health and Human Services additional members to the Palliative Care Council: Cindy Scott and Dr. Stephanie Zylstra — Kim Anderson-Mackey
10. Informational: Discussion of next meeting date.
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12. Adjournment — Council Chair

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- Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health's website: <https://dpbh.nv.gov/palliativecare/>
- Nevada Department of Administration's website: <https://notice.nv.gov/>
- Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health: 4150 Technology Way, Carson City, NV 89706
- Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance (Las Vegas Office): 4220 S. Maryland Parkway, Bldg. A, Suite 100, Las Vegas, NV
- Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance (Carson City Office): 727 Fairview Drive, Suite E, Carson City, NV

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