

**ADVISORY COUNCIL ON THE STATE PROGRAM FOR WELLNESS AND THE  
PREVENTION OF CHRONIC DISEASE  
MINUTES  
July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
1:00 PM.**

The Advisory Council on the State Program for Wellness and the Prevention of Chronic Disease held a public meeting on 07/27/2023, beginning at 1:00 PM, held over Microsoft Teams.

**Board Members Present**

Chair Chris Syverson  
Andrew Snyder, MAT, NDE  
Krista Schonrock, MD  
Ihsan Azzam, Ph.D., MD, MPH  
Laura Valley, SHAPE NV  
Maria Azzarelli, EMHA, CHES  
Steven Shane, MD, MS, FAAP, ABOM-Nevada AAP Obesity Prevention Chair  
Caitlin Gatchalain, Nevada Government Relations Director  
Kagan Griffin, MPH, RD  
Cari Herington, MBA, Nevada Cancer Coalition  
Senator Dina Neal, JD

**Board Members Not Present**

Assemblywoman Michelle Gorelow, M.E.D  
Tina Dortch, MPA  
Vice Chair Amber Donnelly, RN, Ph.D., CNE  
Georgia Dounis, DDS, MS, FICD

**Division of Public and Behavioral Health Staff Present**

Sarah Rogers, MPH, NDTR, CLC Nutrition Unit Deputy Chief, DPBH, CFCW  
Michelle Harden, MPA, Section Manager, Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (CDPHP), Bureau of Child, Family and Community Wellness (CFCW), Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH)  
Mitch DeValliere, DC, Quality Improvement Manager, CDPHP, DPBH  
Pierron Tackes, Senior Deputy Attorney General, DPBH, DHHS  
Emily Sanchez, Administrative Assistant, CDPHP, DPBH  
Lynsie Hood, Office Manager, CDPHP, DPBH  
Amber Hise, RD, Clinical and Community Engagement Manager, CDPHP, DPBH  
Eric Eakin, DC, Tobacco Program Coordinator, CDPHP, DPBH  
Troy Lovick, MS, Heart Disease & Stroke Coordinator, CDPHP, DPBH  
Mickena Butler, Health Equity Analyst, CDPHP, DPBH  
Elleni Rioja, Food Security Analyst, CDPHP, DPBH  
Max Moskowitz, MPH, Nutrition & Wellness Analyst, CDPHP, DPBH  
Nahayvee Flores-Rosiles, Comorbidity Coordinator, CDPHP, DPBH  
Allison Gonzalez, MD, MPH, Population Health and Wellness Evaluator, CDPHP, DPBH  
Esmeralda Chavez, Health Equity Coordinator, CDPHP, DPBH  
Sara Dombrowski, Nevada Health Aging, Caregiving, & Innovation Coordinator, CDPHP, DPBH  
Gregory Stalker, MS, Diabetes Coordinator, CDPHP, DPBH  
Bret Sarnquist, MPH, RD, LD, Community Prevention & Wellness Evaluator, CDPHP, DPBH

Irazema Melendez, Systems Improvement Coordinator, CDPHP, DPBH  
Lori Taylor, MSW, Food Security & Wellness Manager, CDPHP, DPBH  
Kathie Taylor, APR, CAPM, Public Information Office, CFCW, CDPHP, DPBH  
Sarah Motts, Synar Coordinator, CDPHP, DPBH  
Amanda Lamborn, Women's Health Connection Program Coordinator, CDPHP, DPBH

**Others Present**

Brooke Conway Kleven, DPT, Ph.D.; Nevada Institute for Children's Research and Policy  
Kelli Goatley-Seals, MPH; Public Health Supervisor; Washoe County Health District  
Vanessa Dunn, Belz & Case Government Affairs  
Keibi Mejia, Public Affairs Analyst of The Ferrato Company  
Alexandra Neal, Nevada Office of Minority Health and Equity  
Jimmy Lau, Vice President of Ferrari Reeder Public Affairs

**1. Roll Call**

Roll call was taken and determined a quorum of the Advisory Council on the State Program for Wellness and the Prevention of Chronic Disease (CWCD) was present, per Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 439.518

**2. Public Comment**

Chair Chris Syverson opened the meeting and asked for public comment.

None heard.

**3. For Possible Action- Approve Minutes from the April 27, 2023 Meeting.**

Chair Syverson asked for a review of the minutes and a motion to approve the April 27<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes.

**Maria Azzarelli made a motion to approve the minutes. Andrew Snyder seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

**4. For Possible Action- To remove and/or add non-voting members to Kidney Disease Advisory Committee as a subcommittee of CWCD**

Chair Syverson asked the board if any applications have been received.

Dr. Mitch DeValliere confirmed no applications were received.

**5. For Possible Action- To add CWCD members to Kidney Disease Advisory Committee as a subcommittee of CWCD.**

Chair Syverson asked if any current board members of CWCD were interested in joining and volunteered to join the KDAC. Chair Syverson added that staff will follow up with CWCD board members not attending today's meeting to confirm interest in joining.

Dr. Krista Schonrock expressed interest in joining the KDAC.

Chair Syverson asked Mitch DeValliere to clarify if a motion and vote are necessary.

Dr. DeValliere replied that a motion and vote is necessary.

Chair Syverson requested a motion to add Chair Syverson and Dr. Schonrock to the KDAC.

**Ms. Azzarelli made a motion to approve. Dr. Ihsan Azzam seconded the motion, which passed**

unanimously.

**6. For Possible Action- Discussion, Formation, and possible approval of Bylaws for the Kidney Disease Advisory Committee**

Chair Syverson called for a motion to approve the amendment to the Bylaws. ([Proposed amendment to CWCD Bylaws](#))

**Ms. Azzarelli made a motion to approve. Mr. Snyder seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

**7. Kidney Disease Advisory Committee**

Chair Syverson closed the CWCD meeting and called to order the KDAC.

**8. Call to Order/Roll Call**

Roll call was taken, and determined quorum was not met.

Chair Syverson stated a separate meeting will be held before the next CWCD meeting.

**12. For Possible Action: To Adjourn as the Kidney Disease Advisory Committee**

Chair Syverson adjourned the KDAC meeting.

**13. Reconvene as CWCD**

Lysie Hood took roll for CWCD and determined the quorum was still met.

**14. Informational- Present Local Health Authority Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Reports**

Ms. Azzarelli provided the Southern Nevada Health District Report ([SNHD Report](#)).

Kellie Goatley-Seals provided the Washoe County Health District ([WCHD Report](#)). Ms. Seals announced there is a name change happening at the end of August that will change Washoe County Health District to become Northern Nevada Public Health.

Dr. DeValliere stated Ashley Gurr and Nicki Aker were not able to attend the meeting today to provide the Carson City Health and Human Services Report ([CCHHS Quarterly Report](#)) and the Elko County Health Board updates ([ECHB Report](#)).

Brooke Conway Kleven provided the Nevada Institute for Children's Research and Policy Report Summary ([NICRP Report](#)).

Chair Syverson asked for any questions.

None heard.

**15. Informational- Present Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Section Update and Program Reports**

Dr. DeValliere provided the Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Section updates ([CDPHP Section Updates](#)).

Chair Syverson asked if the notice of award was received on the new diabetes grant and if Dr. DeValliere is expecting a notice of award on the stroke and heart disease grant.

Dr. DeValliere confirmed the diabetes notice of award was received and believes the notice of award for stroke and heart disease grant was also received.

**16. Informational- Discussion regarding future agenda items**

Chair Syverson asked for any items to be presented in future agenda items.

None heard.

**17. For Possible Action- Discussion and possible action to establish meeting dates for the remainder of 2023**

Chair Syverson asked if there was already an upcoming scheduled CWCD meeting.

Dr. DeValliere confirmed an upcoming date had not been decided on yet and that a poll would be sent out to determine the next meeting.

**18. Public Comment**

Chair Syverson asked for public comment.

None heard.

**19. For Possible Action: To Adjourn**

Chair Syverson asked for a motion to adjourn.

**Ms. Azzarelli entertained the motion to adjourn. Cari Harington seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

**The meeting adjourned at 1:47 PM.**