**Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board**

**MEETING AGENDA**

**March 23, 2022**

**1:00 PM to adjourn**

**In-person Meeting Location**: Humboldt County Library Conference Room, 85 E. 5th Street, Winnemucca, Nevada 89445

**Online/Phone Participation:**

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1. Call to order/roll call – *Chair (Fergus Laughridge), or designee*

**Members: Fergus Laughridge (Chair), Senator Pete Goicoechea, Bryce Shields, Jeri Sanders, Matt Walker, Amy Adams, Sean Burke, Amanda Osborne, Brooke O’Byrne, Steven Brotman, Sarah Dearborn, and Dr. Erika Ryst.**

1. Public comment

*(Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item until scheduled on an agenda for a later meeting)*

1. Review and Approval of Minutes from February 23, 2022 ***For Possible Action***

*(Fergus Laughridge, Board Chair)*

1. Presentation of Workforce Development Programs and Services Related to Behavioral Health Provided by Nevada Health Corps and the Office of Rural Health, Office of Statewide Initiatives at the University of Nevada, Reno, School of Medicine. 

*(Keith Clark, Director of Rural Programs, Office of Statewide Initiatives, University of Nevada, Reno, School of Medicine)*

This presentation will outline the efforts of the Nevada Health Corps and other programs administered by the Office of Statewide Initiatives (University of Nevada, Reno, School of Medicine) to improve the size and quality of the behavioral health workforce in the state.

1. Presentations by Behavioral Health Licensing Boards Regarding Progress in Implementing Regulations Related to SB 44 (2021)

***Informational***

*(Fergus Laughridge, Board Chair, Valerie Haskin, Rural Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator, and Licensing Board Executive Directors)*

Representatives from the following licensing boards associated with behavioral health treatment will present information regarding current numbers of licensed professionals, average time to licensure from the time of application and supporting document submission, and changes to regulations related to SB 44 (2021 legislative session).

1. Presentation from the Board of Examiners for Social Workers *(Karen Oppenlander or designee)*
2. Presentation from the Board of Psychological Examiners *(Lisa Scurry or designee)*
3. Presentation from the Board of Examiners for Marriage and Family Therapists & Clinical Professional Counselors *(Joelle McNutt or designee)*
4. Presentation from the Board of Examiners for Alcohol, Drug, and Gambling Counselors *(Agata Gawronski or designee)*
5. Rural Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator Update  ***Informational***

*(**Valerie Haskin, Rural Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator)*

Updates will be given regarding the activities of the Rural Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator since the previous meeting (March 24, 2021)

1. Discussion and Approval of the Board’s 2021 Annual Report and Recommendations to the Nevada Governor’s Commission on Behavioral Health ***For Possible Action***

*(Fergus Laughridge, Board Chair and Valerie Haskin, Rural Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator)*

Members of the Board will review, potentially revise, and approve the Board’s 2021 annual report and the accompanying recommendations to the Governor’s Commission on Behavioral Health.

1. Board Member Roundtable Discussion

***Informational***

*(Fergus Laughridge, Board Chair and Valerie Haskin, Rural Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator)*

Members of the Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board will discuss their current activities or concerns related to behavioral health as they are encountered in their respective communities and professions.

1. Public Comment

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1. Additional Announcements ***Informational***
2. Adjournment –Chair (Fergus Laughridge)

AGENDA POSTED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

* **Department of Health and Human Services Website** [www.dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/Grants/Advisory\_Committees/ACPG/ACPG\_Workforce\_Development\_Workgroup/](http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/Grants/Advisory_Committees/ACPG/ACPG_Workforce_Development_Workgroup/)
* **Nevada Public Notices:** [www.notice.nv.gov](https://notice.nv.gov/)
* **DPBH:** 4126 Technology Way, Suite 200, Carson City NV 89706

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If you need supporting documents for this meeting, please notify Stacy McCool, Bureau of Behavioral Health Wellness and Prevention, by email at [smccool@health.nv.gov](mailto:smccool@health.nv.gov).