

**RURAL REGIONAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH POLICY BOARD  
LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA**

**DATE: January 27, 2023  
TIME: 12:00 pm to Adjournment**

**Meeting Location: Online Only**

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**1.) Call to Order and Roll Call (Fergus Laughridge, Chair)**

Members of the Legislative Subcommittee of the Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board: Chair Fergus Laughridge, Chris McHan, and Jeri Sanders.

**2.) Public Comment:**

Public testimony under this agenda item may be presented by computer, phone or written comment. Due to time considerations, each individual offering public comment will be limited to not more than **three (3)** minutes.

**3.) Informational: Presentation from NAMI Nevada Regarding Engaging in Educational and Advocacy Efforts Without Lobbying.** (Robin Reedy, Executive Director, NAMI Nevada; Laura Yanez, Executive Director, NAMI Western Nevada)

Presentation from NAMI Nevada and Western Nevada leadership regarding the differentiation between education, advocacy, and lobbying in the context of participation of Board Members and Stakeholders during the 82<sup>nd</sup> session of the Nevada Legislature.

**4.) For Possible Action: Development and Approval of Subcommittee Process for Providing Support for Legislation During the 82<sup>nd</sup> (2023) Session of the Nevada Legislature.** (Fergus Laughridge, Chair; Valerie Haskin, Rural RBHC)

Members of the Rural RBHPB’s Legislative Subcommittee will discuss, develop, and approve their process for hearing legislation, deciding the impact on the Rural Region of the legislation heard, and whether or not to provide support in favor of legislation.

**5.) Informational: Review of Current Bills Related to Behavioral Health** (Fergus Laughridge, Chair; Valerie Haskin, Rural RBHC)

The Rural RBHPB’s Legislative Subcommittee will review bills publicly available on NELIS that affect behavioral health programs and services, or those which may otherwise affect the Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board in any other way. Current bills for the upcoming 82<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Nevada Legislature that will be discussed are listed in the table below.

At the discretion of Chair Laughridge, non-members of the subcommittee and members of the public may be able to provide insight on legislation described here. Note: to avoid violation of Open Meeting Law, there cannot be discussion of any legislation not listed here.

Bill Number	Topic
Assembly Bill 6	Revises provisions relating to the cost of health care.
Assembly Bill 9	Revises provisions governing regional behavioral health policy boards. (From the Northern RBHPB)
Assembly Bill 37	Authorizes the establishment of the Behavioral Health Workforce Development Center of Nevada. (From the Rural RBHPB)
Assembly Bill 45	Creates a program to repay the student education loans of certain providers of health care.
Assembly Bill 69	Expands the loan repayment program administered by the Nevada Health Service Corps to include certain providers of behavioral health care. (From the Washoe RBHPB)
Senate Bill 68	Establishes programs to provide certain assistance relating to housing. (From the Clark RBHPB)

**6.) 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. Public testimony under this agenda item may be online, by phone or written comment. Due to time considerations, each individual offering public comment will be limited to not more than **three (3)** minutes.

It is recommended that members of the public have recommended legislation for the Rural RBHPB's Legislative Subcommittee to discuss during its next meeting, that those bills, the bill number, the bill sponsor, and proposed changes to NRS or other impacts be recommended during this time, are brought up during public comment.

**7.) Adjournment** (Fergus Laughridge, Chair)

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