
**Division of Public and Behavioral Health
Palliative Care and Quality of Life Council
AGENDA**

DATE: Thursday, July 7, 2022

TIME: 3 p.m.

Meeting Locations

This is a virtual meeting and there is no physical location to attend.

- [Click here to join the meeting](#)
- (775) 321-6111 (phone conference ID: 294 420 346#)

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 – Chair Veneta Lepera, BA, BSN, RN

Members:

Marilynn Jeanne Hesterlee, Council Administrator
Veneta Lepera, BA, BSN, RN, Council Chair
Kim Anderson, Council Vice-Chair
Mary-Ann Brown, RN, MSN, CHPCA, GCHCE HEC-C
Kelly Conright, MD
Melissa St. Jean, MSW
Patricia Pollina, APRN. ACHPN, NP-PC
Stephanie Schneider
Tom McCoy, JD
Lucille Walker

Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance support staff:

Nathan Orme, education and information officer
Nenita Wasserman, administrative assistant

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.) Review and possible approval of meeting minutes from May 19, 2022. Possible Action Item – Veneta Lepera/ Kim Anderson

4.) Presentation: Ethics in Government and Open Meeting Law. Discussion Item – Pierron Tackes, deputy attorney general, Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health

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- 5.) Discussion of submission to the Department of Health and Human Services requesting that the Standing Committee for Health and Human Services designate each November 2-9 as Palliative Care Awareness Week in Nevada, in coordination with [National Palliative Care and Hospice Month](#). **Discussion Item – Veneta Lepera**
 - 6.) Discussion about Nevada Legislative Session that begins February 2023, relating to possible future action items regarding Council to ensure the benefits of palliative care are available and used by all Nevadan residents. **Discussion Item – Tom McCoy and Veneta Lepera**
 - 7.) Discussion and possible action to create work group to assist in coordination/planning for a virtual/in person one-day awareness seminar for Palliative Care week in November 2022. **Possible Action Item – Veneta Lepera**
 - 8.) Presentation: Medicaid Palliative Care Benefit Growth and Opportunities for Cooperation in Palliative Care for Children and Adults. **Discussion item – Kim Anderson; Angela Berg, APRN, director of nursing for Carousel Pediatrics a Division of Procure Hospice of Nevada; and Eddie Belluomini, RN, vice president of operations for 1Care Hospice.**
 - 9.) Presentation: Reimbursement Changes Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy, Medicaid. **Discussion Item – Chelsea Heath, social services program specialist III, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy, Long-Term Services and Supports**
 - 10.) Discussion of and possible action on council members to participate in meetings with legislator representatives upon approval of DHHS on behalf of the council for the 2023 session of the Nevada Legislature. **Possible Action Item – Tom McCoy and Kim Anderson**
 - 11.) Recommendation for Eddie Belluomini to be added as new member. **Possible Action Item – Jeanne Hesterlee.**
 - 12.) Discussion and possible approval of items regarding communications, social media and expanding awareness of palliative care. **Possible Action Item – Nathan Orme**
 - 13.) Dates of future meeting (dates subject to change):
 - Thursday, Aug. 18, 2022, at 3 p.m.
 - Thursday, Nov. 10, 2022, at 3 p.m.
 - 14.) PUBLIC COMMENT
 - a. 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.
 - 15.) Adjournment – **Veneta Lepera – Chair**

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<https://dpbh.nv.gov/palliativecare/>
and at <https://notice.nv.gov/>

AGENDA EMAILED FOR POSTING AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

Division of Public and Behavioral Health, 4220 S. Maryland Parkway, Bldg. A, Suite 100, Las Vegas, NV

Division of Public and Behavioral Health, 4150 Technology Way, Carson City, NV

Division of Public and Behavioral Health, 727 Fairview Drive, Suite E, Carson City, NV

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