

**NEVADA LEGISLATURE**  
**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE**  
*(Nevada Revised Statutes [NRS] 439B.200)*

**SUMMARY MINUTES AND ACTION REPORT**

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The second meeting of the Nevada Legislature’s Legislative Committee on Health Care was held on Wednesday, February 24 2016, at 9 a.m. in Room 4401 of the Grant Sawyer State Office Building, 555 East Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada. The meeting was videoconferenced to Room 2135 of the Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada. The meeting was also videoconferenced to Room 125, McMullen Hall, Great Basin College, 1500 College Parkway, Elko, Nevada. A copy of this set of “Summary Minutes and Action Report,” including the “Meeting Notice and Agenda” ([Exhibit A](#)) and other substantive exhibits, is available on the Nevada Legislature’s website at <http://www.leg.state.nv.us/interim/78th2015/committee/>. In addition, copies of the audio or video record are available through the Legislative Counsel Bureau’s Publications Office (e-mail: [publications@lcb.state.nv.us](mailto:publications@lcb.state.nv.us); telephone: 775/684-6835) and may be available online at <http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Granicus/>.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT IN LAS VEGAS:**

Assemblyman James Oscarson, Chair  
Senator Joseph (Joe) P. Hardy, M.D., Vice Chair  
Senator Ben Kieckhefer  
Senator Patricia (Pat) Spearman  
Assemblywoman Teresa Benitez-Thompson  
Assemblyman David M. Gardner

**LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL BUREAU (LCB) STAFF PRESENT:**

Megan Comlossy, Senior Research Analyst, Research Division  
Risa B. Lang, Chief Deputy Legislative Counsel, Legal Division  
Eric Robbins, Deputy Legislative Counsel, Legal Division  
Gayle Nadeau, Senior Research Secretary, Research Division

*Items taken out of sequence during the meeting have been placed in agenda order.*

## **AGENDA ITEM I—OPENING REMARKS**

Chair Oscarson called the meeting of the Legislative Committee on Health Care (LCHC) to order.

## **AGENDA ITEM II—PUBLIC COMMENT**

Deb Neubecker, resident, Las Vegas, Nevada, expressed concern about her daughter's health illnesses and diagnosis with Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome (POTS). ([Exhibit B](#))

Mackenzie Kent, resident, Henderson, Nevada, discussed her diagnosis with POTS. ([Exhibit C](#))

Anne Conard, resident, Las Vegas, commented about her son's Autism diagnosis and expressed concerns regarding inadequate insurance coverage for his treatments.

Christine Hiebel, resident, Las Vegas, shared her daughter's health struggles with many autonomic dysfunctions. ([Exhibit D](#))

Brandy Palchetti, resident, Las Vegas, provided remarks about her three children's diagnosis with a life-threatening, life-altering, incurable, genetic condition called Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome – Hypermobility Type 3. ([Exhibit E](#))

Sandra K. Stamates, President, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Nevada, shared about NAMI's goal of building better lives for people affected by mental illness and discussed increasing the health care workforce in Nevada. ([Exhibit F](#))

Pat Sanborn, Safe Schools / Healthy Students State Coordinator, Office of Student and School Supports, Nevada's Department of Education, Carson City, commented about ensuring there are sufficient numbers of licensed clinical social workers (LCSWs) in Nevada's schools. ([Exhibit G](#))

Chair Oscarson requested Ms. Sanborn coordinate with Megan Comlossy, Senior Research Analyst, Research Division, and LCHC's Policy Analyst, to have a discussion of LCSWs in Nevada's schools on an LCHC agenda.

Lorinda A. Wichman, Commissioner, District 1, Nye County Board of Commissioners, requested the issue of changes to Chapter 450 ("County Hospitals and Hospital Districts") of *Nevada Revised Statutes* (NRS) be placed on a future meeting's agenda. She said changes are needed to establish a new model of providing frontier medical services that can be subsidized with a taxing district because of current restrictions in NRS on how tax dollars can be used in such a district.

Brian Patchett, Chair, Nevada Commission on Services for Persons with Disabilities, Aging and Disability Services Division, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), submitted a letter dated November 23, 2015, to Assemblyman Paul Anderson, Chair; Senator Ben Kieckhefer, Vice Chair; and members of the Interim Finance Committee regarding concerns that Applied Behavioral Analysis services for children with autism does not have adequate funding through Nevada Medicaid. ([Exhibit H](#))

June Likourinou, resident, Las Vegas, submitted written comments regarding her concerns about the level of medical expertise available and the medical care her daughter has received in Las Vegas. ([Exhibit I](#))

### **AGENDA ITEM III—APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 16, 2015, IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA**

**MOTION:** Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved to approve the “Summary Minutes and Action Report” of the November 16, 2015, meeting held in Las Vegas, Nevada. The motion was seconded by Senator Hardy and passed unanimously.

### **AGENDA ITEM IV—CONSIDERATION OF REGULATIONS PROPOSED OR ADOPTED BY CERTAIN LICENSING BOARDS PURSUANT TO NRS 439B.225**

*A. LCB File No. R022-15 Board of Medical Examiners*

*B. LCB File No. R023-15 Board of Medical Examiners*

*C. LCB File No. R024-15 Board of Medical Examiners*

Eric Robbins, previously identified, reviewed the above regulations. ([Exhibit J](#), [Exhibit K](#), and [Exhibit L](#))

### **AGENDA ITEM V—UPDATE ON THE FEDERAL COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FOR EXPANSION AND SUSTAINABILITY OF THE COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WITH SERIOUS EMOTIONAL DISTURBANCES (SYSTEM OF CARE GRANT)**

Kelly Wooldridge, Deputy Administrator, Children’s Mental Health, Division of Child and Family Services, DHHS, discussed the status of the System of Care Grant and focused her testimony on its four goals. ([Exhibit M](#))

Discussion ensued regarding: (1) increasing funding of existing models for workforce development mechanisms; (2) using the “train-the-trainer” model; (3) improving “wrap-around” services to minimize negative impacts of children’s environments; (4) provider recruitment needs; (5) creating a matrix showing the cost savings as a result of the statewide mobile crisis team’s success in keeping 87 percent of Nevada’s youth out of psychiatric

hospitals as opposed to using inpatient services; and (6) implementing the “Match Mobile Crisis” program in more Nevada communities.

Senator Kieckhefer and Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson, respectively, requested Ms. Wooldridge at her next update on the System of Care Grant: (1) share more information about the provider network and challenges of enrolling providers; and (2) explain the Building Bridges Model of the United States DHHS’s Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

## **AGENDA ITEM VI—CURRENT AND PROJECTED HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE SUPPLY AND DEMAND IN NEVADA**

John Packham, Ph.D., Director of Health Policy Research, Nevada State Office of Rural Health (NSORH), Office of Statewide Initiatives (OSI), University of Nevada School of Medicine (UNSOM), presented data about Nevada’s health workforce over the past decade. He emphasized that the most important trends with respect to the health workforce demand in Nevada are driven by population growth, aging, and insurance coverage expansions. Dr. Packham also stressed the geographic maldistribution of health professionals throughout Nevada. ([Exhibit N](#))

Tabor Griswold, Ph.D., Health Services Research Analyst, NSORH, OSI, UNSOM, referenced slides in Exhibit N that demonstrate the increasing demand for health care employment in Nevada. She discussed Nevada’s health professional shortage areas (HPSA), stressing that one out of every three people in the State is considered to be in a primary care HPSA—whether rural or urban.

Discussion ensued regarding: (1) whether other states have different models of health care professional licensing and regulation that may be advantageous in Nevada; (2) recruiting for medical professions through K-12 education opportunities; (3) the correlation between socioeconomic status and education as it relates to health; (4) geographic maldistribution of health professionals; (5) mental health professionals in shortage areas; and (6) incentives to retain health care professionals.

## **AGENDA ITEM VII—OVERVIEW OF NEVADA’S DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES 2014 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH WORKFORCE PIPELINE MAPPING PROJECT AND HOW IT APPLIES TO THE PRIMARY CARE WORKFORCE**

Laura J. Hale, Health Resource Analyst, Manager, Health Planning and Primary Care Office (HPPCO), Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH), DHHS, provided an overview regarding the Behavioral Health Pipeline Mapping Project and recommendations related to four aspects of the primary care workforce: (1) education and training; (2) licensing and certification; (3) scope of practice; and (4) recruitment and retention. ([Exhibit O](#))

## **AGENDA ITEM VIII—UPDATE ON SUCCESSES AND CHALLENGES OF ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES SINCE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ASSEMBLY BILL 170 OF THE 2013 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

Jeanine Swygman, D.N.P., A.C.N.P.-B.C., C.C.R.N.-C.M.C., P.H.N., President, Nevada Advanced Practice Nurses Association, provided an update on the successes and challenges of advanced practice registered nurses (APRNs) since the implementation of Assembly Bill 170 (Chapter 383, *Statutes of Nevada 2013*) and suggested solutions for APRNs to help mitigate health care shortages in Nevada. ([Exhibit P](#)) Ms. Swygman recommended authorizing APRNs to sign DMV placards, death certificates, physician orders for life-sustaining treatment (POLST) forms, workers' compensation forms, and certain commercial driving forms for taxi drivers. (Also, see Exhibit Q, Exhibit R, Exhibit S, Exhibit T, Exhibit U, Exhibit V, Exhibit W, Exhibit X, Exhibit Y, and Exhibit Z.)

Discussion ensued regarding: (1) the “global signature authority” relative to prescribing narcotics and the APRNs scope of practice authority; and (2) solutions for APRNs to help mitigate health care shortages in Nevada that would require statutory changes rather than regulatory changes.

## **AGENDA ITEM IX—DISCUSSION OF DATA COLLECTION AND LICENSURE BY CERTAIN HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARDS**

### ***A. Results and Analysis of a Survey of Certain Health Care Professional Licensing Boards Regarding Their Licensure Application Systems, Processes, and Timelines***

Laura J. Hale, previously identified, discussed the data gathered from the survey ([Exhibit AA](#)) of certain health care professional licensing boards conducted by the Primary Care Workforce Development Office within DHHS. She noted the goal of the survey was to accumulate comparable information across all licensing boards; however, not all boards use the same terms nor collect the same data. (Also, see Exhibit BB.)

### ***B. Health Professional Licensing Board Presentations Regarding Efforts to Improve Timeliness, Responsiveness, and Transparency in the Licensure Process***

Keith Lee, Lobbyist, Board of Medical Examiners (BME), provided introductory remarks and commented on the “Uniform Application” for physician licensure noting that each of the health care licensing boards have different statutory requirements.

Edward O. Cousineau, J.D., Executive Director, BME, highlighted two important factors to consider when addressing the timeliness in the issuance of medical licenses: (1) internal factors relative to creating unnecessary exercises due to concerns about the application; and (2) external factors the BME cannot control that rely on the applicant to accomplish relative to “direct source” verification. ([Exhibit CC](#))

Lynette L. Daniels, Chief of Licensing, BME, discussed: (1) the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) application; (2) the Uniform Application; (2) the BME’s website application,

which includes an addenda to the Uniform Application; and (3) flexibility to acquire “direct source” documents and the use of the FSMB for verifications.

Susan Fisher, Lobbyist, State Board of Osteopathic Medicine (SBOM), pointed out the SBOM reviews all the applications, and the approval processing timeline has been expedited because the Board moved to monthly meetings. ([Exhibit DD](#))

Discussion ensued regarding: (1) whether fingerprints must be “application specific”; and (2) whether withdrawing applications while in the process of approval or denial is a standard practice across the country.

Chair Oscarson asked the other Boards to share their fingerprinting process in case there is an expedited process that Boards are not using but might embrace to save time.

Cathy Dinauer, M.S.N., R.N., Executive Director, State Board of Nursing (SBN), shared the SBN encourages nursing students and applicants to initiate their fingerprinting background check approximately three months before their expected graduation or licensure application because there can be delays in the process. Ms. Dinauer then addressed the issues in her handout ([Exhibit EE](#)).

Michael Hillerby, Lobbyist, SBN, commented that the average time to obtain a temporary nursing license for nurses coming into the State using endorsement is 2.9 days. The maximum time period for issuing a nursing license is 60 days.

Vice Chair Hardy commented about the liability of licensing boards and read the following extract from the February 25, 2015, U.S. Supreme Court decision “North Carolina Board of Dental Examiners v. Federal Trade Commission” (Docket No. 13-534): “When a controlling number of the decision makers on a state licensing board are active participants in the occupation the board regulates, the board can invoke state-action immunity only if it is subject to active supervision by the state.”

Debra Shaffer-Kugel, Executive Director, Board of Dental Examiners of Nevada (BDEN), explained the historical and current process for the BDEN’s fingerprinting requirements. Her presentation addressed the various licensure types ([Exhibit FF](#) and [Exhibit GG](#)), statistics of how many licenses were issued during 2015, as well as the following major changes made by the Board:

- Implemented an online jurisprudence exam—held the first Monday of each month;
- Authorized the BDEN’s Secretary-Treasurer to review the applications, and if found to be in compliance, the Secretary-Treasurer directs the Executive Director to issue the licenses;
- Allows licenses to be issued when the fingerprint report is still pending;
- Background checks are handled in-house, at no charge to the applicant, rather than using a third-party background check company;

- Issues military active, retired military, and military spouses dental and dental hygienist licenses within a few days, with the forwarding documents arriving typically within 90 days; and
- Ensures timely communication to each applicant of receipt of required documents and notes if any records are still needed before the applicant’s license can be issued.

In closing, Ms. Shaffer-Kugel noted the changes have reduced the license issuing time from 90 days to approximately 30 to 35 days from the time the application and subsequent needed information are received.

Discussion ensued regarding restricted and geographically restricted dental and dental hygiene licenses.

Morgan Alldredge, Executive Director, Board of Psychological Examiners (BPE), stated the BPE is responsible for three licenses—psychologists, behavior analysts, and assistant behavior analysts—as well as the registration of both training levels required for licensure as a psychologist. ([Exhibit HH](#))

Kim Frakes, L.C.S.W., Executive Director, Board of Examiners for Social Workers (BESW), referenced the first page of Exhibit II, noting it was a summary of the information provided in Attachments A through E pertaining to the number and types of licenses issued; samples of blank forms provided to applicants; a table regarding new applications; general policies and procedures for social worker applicants; and redacted examples of applicants brought before the BESW. She proceeded to discuss the information contained in each attachment.

Discussion ensued regarding the possibility of allowing clinical social worker students to achieve all or part of their 2,000 hours of direct practice requirement by working in schools as part of the Safe and Respectful Learning Environment program to increase the number of LCSWs in schools.

Dave Wuest, Deputy Executive Secretary, State Board of Pharmacy (SBP), testified Nevada may not have a shortage of pharmacists; however, there could be opportunities for pharmacists to assist other medical practitioners. He said the time frame to license pharmacists in the State ranges from five to seven days, and ten days if the applicant needs to appear before the SBP.

Adam D. Porath, Pharm.D., B.C.P.S., Ambulatory Pharmacy Manager, Renown Health, discussed the practice of pharmacy in Nevada and around the country, highlighting the following: (1) pharmacists have the potential to assist other health care providers; (2) Nevada pharmacists are working with the Department of Veterans Affairs and in health services for Nevada’s Native Americans as mid-level providers; (3) work in acute care settings; and (4) a 2011 statute change allowing some collaborative practice in community settings. ([Exhibit JJ](#) and [Exhibit KK](#))

Discussion ensued regarding: (1) the “Advanced Pharmacy Practice Models” and the fact that Nevada’s collaborative practice is currently limited to hospital settings; and (2) Medicaid billing issues for pharmacists.

Mr. Hillerby updated the Committee on the SBP's prescription monitoring program related to a concern raised at its November 16, 2015, meeting.

## **AGENDA ITEM X—GENERAL OVERVIEW OF CERTAIN PRIVATE MEDICAL AND HEALTH PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS IN NEVADA**

### ***A. Touro University Nevada (TUN)***

Shelley Berkley, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Senior Provost, Touro Western Division, Touro University, offered introductory remarks and noted the presentation would address Touro University's campus, programs, the impact it is having on the southern Nevada community, and the need for graduate medical education (GME) in Nevada.

Raymond W. Alden III, Ph.D., Provost, TUN, provided an overview of Touro University's programs. Dr. Alden shared that Touro University supports interprofessional education and integrating academic studies with service learning and research so that its students are able to practice with hands-on experiences what they learn in the classroom. ([Exhibit LL](#))

John J. Dougherty, D.O., F.A.C.O.F.P., F.A.O.A.S.M., F.A.O.D.M.E., Dean and Professor, College of Osteopathic Medicine, TUN, discussed GME history and background in the U.S. from 1965 through 2008 ([Exhibit LL](#)). He said there are limited opportunities for Doctor of Medicine graduates to matriculate into GME programs due to regional disparities in residency programs.

Ms. Berkley shared Touro University Nevada is committed to serving the community, provided statistics, and discussed its economic impact in southern Nevada.

Vice Chair Hardy disclosed he works for Touro University Nevada.

### ***B. Roseman University of Health Sciences***

Renee E. Coffman, B.S. Pharm., Ph.D., President and Cofounder, Roseman University of Health Sciences (RUHS), described health professional education programs at Roseman, a private, not-for-profit institution. ([Exhibit MM](#))

Mark A. Penn, M.D., Founding Dean, RUHS, discussed the accreditation status for Roseman's medical school, with a June 2016 preliminary accreditation decision expected and a target date of August 2017 to have its first class of 60 medical students enrolled.

## **AGENDA ITEM XI—GENERAL OVERVIEW OF GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION AND RESIDENCY TRAINING PROGRAMS**

Thomas L. Schwenk, M.D., Professor, Family and Community Medicine (FCM); Dean, UNSOM; and Vice President, Division of Health Sciences (DHS), University of Nevada, Reno (UNR), commented on UNSOM's major partners, its current status, future plans, and requirements for success in expanding GME. ([Exhibit NN](#))



Barbara Atkinson, M.D., Founding Dean, University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), School of Medicine (SOM), provided an update on UNLV's SOM, noting the lack of fellowship programs and the challenges due to the dramatic expansion of Medicaid in Nevada. ([Exhibit OO](#))

Tracey Green, M.D., Vice Dean for Clinical Affairs and Professor of Family Medicine, UNLV, SOM, addressed retaining physicians in Nevada by embedding the students into the community by utilizing the community clinic model to focus on Medicaid patients.

Bill M. Welch, President and Chief Executive Officer, Nevada Hospital Association (NHA), provided an overview of NHA's perspective on, and some of the factors affecting, GME in the State. ([Exhibit PP](#))

A brief discussion ensued between Senator Kieckhefer and Mr. Welch regarding the formula for Medicaid allocations.

Vance K. Farrow, M.P.H., Chair, Governor's Task Force on Graduate Medical Education, and Industry Specialist for Health Care, Office of Economic Development, Office of the Governor, noted the GME Task Force was reestablished under Executive Order No. 2015-30. He briefly explained various components in his handout ([Exhibit QQ](#)) regarding the request for applications of the GME New and Expanded Program Grants.

## **AGENDA ITEM XII—OVERVIEW OF HEALTH SCIENCE PROGRAMS FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION (NSHE)**

Marcia L. Turner, Ph.D., Vice Chancellor of Health Sciences, NSHE, provided introductory remarks regarding seven NSHE degree-granting institutions offering health science degree and certificate programs throughout the State of Nevada. (Please refer to Exhibit RR for all presenters under Agenda Item XII.)

Judith Cordia, B.S.N., M.S.N., Ed.D., Director and Division Chair, Nursing and Allied Health, Western Nevada College (WNC), shared three WNC "gateway" programs that provide students entry into the medical field.

Amber Donnelly, B.S.N., M.S.N, Ph.D., Dean, Health Sciences and Human Services, Great Basin College (GBC), addressed key aspects of GBC's health education programs noting that rural Nevada is challenged with a medically underserved population, and it is the College's mission to develop a rural health care workforce. Dr. Donnelly discussed multiple distance education programs and satellite schools that serve many rural areas of the State.

Josh Hamilton, R.N.-B.C., F.N.P.-C., P.M.H.N.P.-B.C., C.N.E., Dean, Engelstad School of Health Sciences, College of Southern Nevada (CSN), shared that CSN is the sixth largest community college in the U.S. and has numerous health science programs. He noted it offers a career technical education pathway through high school programs. Dean Hamilton also shared that CSN started a military medic corpsman to licensed practical nurse program, which offers credit to returning service members for experience gained in the military.

Lance Bowen, Ph.D., Dean, Sciences Division, Truckee Meadows Community College (TMCC), discussed the various components of the health science programs offered at TMCC.

Neal Rosenberg, Ph.D., R.N., Dean, School of Nursing, Nevada State College (NSC), pointed out that in 2002, NSC became the first mid-tier institution in the NSHE system to serve the needs between the community colleges and the 4-year institutions. Dr. Rosenberg discussed NSC's online Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program, which serves the entire State, and he mentioned that a student can earn a BSN from NSC for \$18,000.

Carl Reiber, Ph.D., Senior Vice Provost, UNLV, highlighted five of the various programs that UNLV offers, and pointed out that all of the University's programs are grounded in K-12 stem disciplines.

Thomas L. Schwenk, M.D., Professor, FCM; Dean, UNSOM; and Vice President, DHS, UNR, discussed the Division of Health Sciences (DHS) at UNR, certain dual degrees with nursing and UNSOM, and collaboration with GBC.

### **AGENDA ITEM XIII—FEDERAL AND STATE EFFORTS TO RECRUIT AND RETAIN HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS IN NEVADA**

Keith Clark, Director, Rural Programs, Area Health Education Center, NSORH, OSI, UNSOM, talked about Nevada's loan repayment program opportunities for health care students and professionals, which is one tool UNSOM uses to encourage health care providers to practice in the State—especially in the underserved areas. (Please refer to Exhibit SS for all presenters under Agenda Item XIII.)

Nancy E. Hook, Executive Director, Nevada Primary Care Association (NPCA), testified that NPCA's role is to support the State's community health centers through training, technical assistance, advocacy, and education. She noted NPCA is funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration, Bureau of Primary Health Care, U.S. DHHS.

Scott Jones, Health Resource Analyst, HPPCO, DPBH, DHHS, shared that HPPCO is federally funded to help provide outreach coordination and to expand the use of federal programs that support health professionals in Nevada. He addressed the National Health Service Corps (NHSC) and the NURSE Corps (NC)—two federal programs that help the State recruit and retain health care providers.

Jeannine M. Sherrick-Warner, M.B.A., Director, Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE), NSHE, provided a brief overview of the WICHE program and how it contributes to the health care recruitment and retention efforts of the State. She noted WICHE was established in 1959 as an independent commission within Nevada and is a participating member of the multistate western regional education compact.

Laura Hale, previously identified, came forward and explained the difference between the NHSC and the NC, noting the NHSC is an “out-patient” program that typically does not apply to hospitals, where the NC does.

Discussion ensued about data on individuals taking advantage of Nevada’s loan repayment programs and ensuring that rural hospitals in the State are aware of these programs.

#### **AGENDA ITEM XIV—PUBLIC COMMENT**

Diane M. McGinnis, Ph.D., Nurse Practitioner, Boulder City, Nevada, offered remarks on the following matters: (1) statistics on nurse practitioners in rural Nevada; (2) “global signature authority” to allow advanced practice registered nurses to sign DMV placards, death certificates, POLST forms, workers’ compensation forms, and medical examination forms for certain commercial driver licenses; (3) health professionals in rural communities; (4) the unpredictability of health care practitioners in underserved areas; and (5) allowing, with an onsite nurse practitioner, medical school students to get experience in rural clinics with supervisory oversight provided via telemedicine technology.

Sara Hunt, Ph.D, Director, Mental and Behavioral Health Coalition (MBHC), UNLV, explained the MBHC’s purpose is workforce development. The MBHC is based out of UNLV’s Lincy Institute and consists of faculty members from seven different programs on campus that train mental health professionals.

**AGENDA ITEM XV—ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Gayle Nadeau  
Senior Research Secretary

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Megan Comlossy  
Senior Research Analyst

APPROVED BY:

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Assemblyman James Oscarson, Chair

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## EXHIBITS

EXHIBIT	WITNESS/ENTITY	DESCRIPTION
<a href="#">Exhibit A</a>	Megan Comlossy, Senior Research Analyst, Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB)	Agenda
<a href="#">Exhibit B</a>	Deb Neubecker, resident, Las Vegas, Nevada	Prepared testimony
<a href="#">Exhibit C</a>	Mackenzie Kent, resident, Henderson, Nevada	Prepared testimony
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<a href="#">Exhibit G</a>	Pat Sanborn, Safe Schools / Healthy Students State Coordinator, Office of Student and School Supports, Nevada's Department of Education	Data regarding status of social workers in schools funding awards
<a href="#">Exhibit H</a>	Brian Patchett, Chair, Nevada Commission on Services for Persons with Disabilities, Aging and Disability Services Division, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)	Letter to Assemblyman Paul Anderson, Senator Ben Kieckhefer, and members of the Interim Finance Committee regarding concerns that Applied Behavioral Analysis services for children with autism does not have adequate funding through Nevada Medicaid
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<a href="#">Exhibit L</a>	Eric Robbins, Deputy Legislative Counsel, Legal Division, LCB	<i>LCB File No. R024-15 Board of Medical Examiners</i>
<a href="#">Exhibit M</a>	Kelly Wooldridge, Deputy Administrator, Children's Mental Health, Division of Child and Family Services, DHHS	Presentation regarding the Nevada System of Care Implementation Grant

<a href="#">Exhibit N</a>	John Packham, Ph.D., Director of Health Policy Research, Nevada State Office of Rural Health (NSORH), Office of Statewide Initiatives (OSI), University of Nevada School of Medicine (UNSOM)	Presentation regarding the current and projected health workforce supply and demand in Nevada
<a href="#">Exhibit O</a>	Laura J. Hale, Health Resource Analyst, Manager, Health Planning and Primary Care Office (HPPCO), Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH), DHHS	Presentation regarding behavioral health pipeline mapping project and selected recommendations
<a href="#">Exhibit P</a>	Jeanine Swygman, D.N.P., A.C.N.P.-B.C., C.C.R.N.-C.M.C., P.H.N., President, Nevada Advanced Practice Nurses Association (NAPNA)	Update on the Advanced Practice Registered Nurses Association (APRNA)
<a href="#">Exhibit Q</a>	Jeanine Swygman, D.N.P., A.C.N.P.-B.C., C.C.R.N.-C.M.C., P.H.N., President, NAPNA	Information regarding APRNA distribution in urban and rural areas of the United States
<a href="#">Exhibit R</a>	Jeanine Swygman, D.N.P., A.C.N.P.-B.C., C.C.R.N.-C.M.C., P.H.N., President, NAPNA	Medical Examiner's Certificate
<a href="#">Exhibit S</a>	Jeanine Swygman, D.N.P., A.C.N.P.-B.C., C.C.R.N.-C.M.C., P.H.N., President, NAPNA	Medical Examination Report Form
<a href="#">Exhibit T</a>	Jeanine Swygman, D.N.P., A.C.N.P.-B.C., C.C.R.N.-C.M.C., P.H.N., President, NAPNA	<i>Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 706.8842 and NRS 706.8843</i>
<a href="#">Exhibit U</a>	Jeanine Swygman, D.N.P., A.C.N.P.-B.C., C.C.R.N.-C.M.C., P.H.N., President, NAPNA	Disabled Persons License Plates and/or Placards Application
<a href="#">Exhibit V</a>	Jeanine Swygman, D.N.P., A.C.N.P.-B.C., C.C.R.N.-C.M.C., P.H.N., President, NAPNA	Information regarding nurse practitioner cost-effectiveness
<a href="#">Exhibit W</a>	Jeanine Swygman, D.N.P., A.C.N.P.-B.C., C.C.R.N.-C.M.C., P.H.N., President, NAPNA	Information regarding provider orders for life-sustaining treatment
<a href="#">Exhibit X</a>	Jeanine Swygman, D.N.P., A.C.N.P.-B.C., C.C.R.N.-C.M.C., P.H.N., President, NAPNA	Information regarding signature authority
<a href="#">Exhibit Y</a>	Jeanine Swygman, D.N.P., A.C.N.P.-B.C., C.C.R.N.-C.M.C., P.H.N., President, NAPNA	An example of a Nevada Physician Order for Life-Sustaining Treatment

<a href="#">Exhibit Z</a>	Jeanine Swygman, D.N.P., A.C.N.P.-B.C., C.C.R.N.-C.M.C., P.H.N., President, NAPNA	“State Practice Environments and the Supply of Physician Assistants, Nurse Practitioners, and Certified Nurse-Midwives,” <i>The New England Journal of Medicine</i> , Vol. 331, No. 19, November 10, 1994, pp. 1266-1271
<a href="#">Exhibit AA</a>	Laura J. Hale, Health Resource Analyst, Manager, HPPCO, DPBH, DHHS	2015 data regarding Nevada Professional Licensing Board’s survey responses
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