

MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Name of Organization: Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults
With Special Needs (*Nevada Revised Statutes* [NRS] 218E.750)

Date and Time of Meeting: Wednesday, May 21, 2014
9 a.m.

Place of Meeting: Legislative Building, Room 3138
401 South Carson Street
Carson City, Nevada

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Grant Sawyer State Office Building, Room 4401
555 East Washington Avenue
Las Vegas, Nevada

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Note: Items on this agenda may be taken in a different order than listed. Two or more agenda items may be combined for consideration. An item may be removed from this agenda or discussion relating to an item on this agenda may be delayed at any time.

I. Opening Remarks

Assemblywoman Teresa Benitez-Thompson, Chair

II. Public Comment

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III. Approval of Minutes of the January 15, 2014, Meeting in Carson City, Nevada

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IV. Presentation on Services Offered to Adults With Special Needs by the Rehabilitation Division of the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation (DETR)

Shelley Hendren, Administrator, Rehabilitation Division, DETR

Mechelle Merrill, Chief, Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation,
Rehabilitation Division, DETR

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V. Issues Related to Persons Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing

A. Access to Government Services

Gary W. Olsen, President, Nevada Association of the Deaf (NVAD)

B. Use of Closed-Captioning Technology in Nevada

Gary W. Olsen, President, NVAD

C. Discussion of Interpreter Services

Gary W. Olsen, President, NVAD

Tina Gerber-Winn, Deputy Administrator, Aging and Disability
Services Division (ADSD), Department of Health and Human
Services (DHHS)

Julie Balderson, Social Services Program Specialist II, Disability
Services, ADSD, DHHS

D. Discussion of the Program to Provide Devices for Telecommunication to
Persons with Impaired Speech or Hearing (NRS 427A.797)

Tina Gerber-Winn, Deputy Administrator, ADSD, DHHS

J. Farrell Cafferata-Jenkins, President, Board of Directors, Deaf and
Hard of Hearing Advocacy Resource Center

Samuel S. Crano, Esq., Assistant Staff Counsel, Public Utilities
Commission

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VI. Issues Related to Persons With Intellectual or Developmental Disabilities

A. Presentation on the Employment First Approach to Include in the
Workplace Persons With Intellectual or Developmental Disabilities

Sherry Manning, Executive Director, Nevada Governor's Council on
Developmental Disabilities, DHHS

Scott W. Harrington, Ph.D., Youth Transition Director, Nevada
Center for Excellence in Disabilities (NCED), University of
Nevada, Reno (UNR)

B. Presentation on the Customized Employment Approach to Include in the Workplace Persons With Intellectual or Developmental Disabilities

Scott W. Harrington, Ph.D., Youth Transition Director, NCED, UNR

Shelley Hendren, Administrator, Rehabilitation Division, DETR
Mechelle Merrill, Chief, Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation, Rehabilitation Division, DETR

C. Discussion of Guardianship Issues

Mary Bryant, Project Coordinator, Self-determination, Advocacy and Families, NCED, UNR

For Possible Action

VII. Issues Related to Persons Who Are Blind or Visually Impaired

A. Presentation on Services that Support Independent Living

Tina Gerber-Winn, Deputy Administrator, ADSD, DHHS

Brian Patchett, Chair, Nevada Commission on Services for Persons With Disabilities

B. Discussion of Assistive Technology

Mechelle Merrill, Chief, Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation, Rehabilitation Division, DETR

Brian Patchett, Chair, Nevada Commission on Services for Persons With Disabilities

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IX. Adjournment

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