

Nevada Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board

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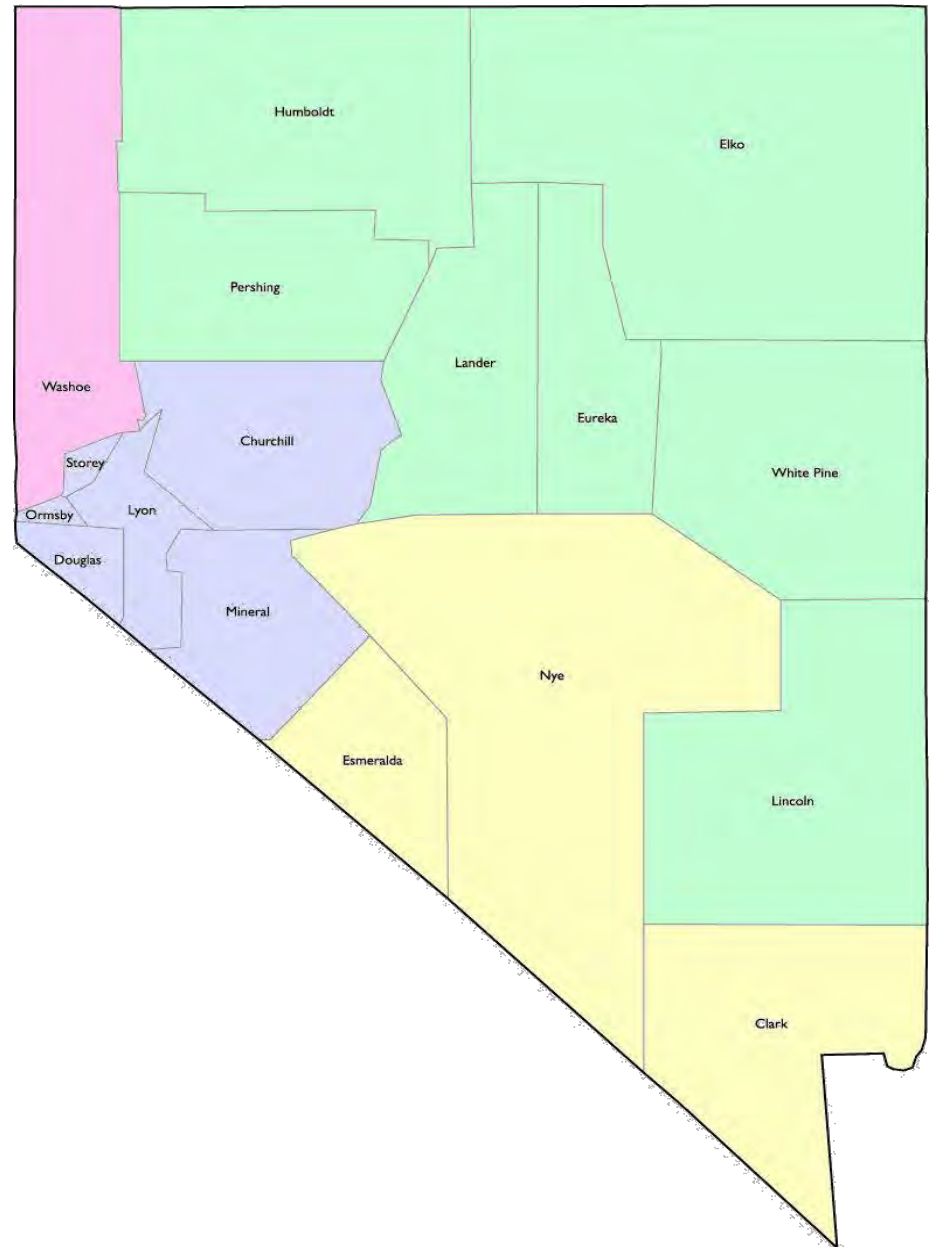
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Background

- AB366 passed in 2017 and introduced the development of BH policy boards
- Nevada is divided into 4 regions
- A policy board will represent each region
- Each policy board consists of 13 members (total of 52 members statewide)



Board Composition

Governor appointees (6)

- One (1) member who represents the criminal justice system
- Two (2) members who have experience in the delivery of social services in the field of behavioral health;
- Three (3) members who represent the interests of one or more of the following:
 - Hospitals, residential long-term care facilities or facilities that provide acute inpatient behavioral health services;
 - Community-based organizations which provide behavioral health services;
 - Administrators or counselors who are employed at facilities for the treatment of abuse of alcohol or drugs; or
 - Owners or administrators of residential treatment facilities, transitional housing or other housing for persons who are mentally ill or suffer from addiction or substance abuse.

The Speaker of the Assembly appoints three members as follows:

- One (1) member who is a health officer of a county or who is in a position with duties similar to those of such a health officer;
- One (1) member who is a psychiatrist or doctor of psychology;
- One (1) member who represents private or public insurers.

The Senate Majority Leader appoints three members as follows:

- One (1) member who has received behavioral health services in Nevada or a family member of such a person, or a person who represents the interests of behavioral health patients or their families;
- One (1) member who represents providers of emergency medical services or fire services; and
- One (1) member who represents law enforcement agencies

The Legislative Commission appoints one (1) Legislator.

Southern Nevada Behavioral Health Policy Board

Members:

1. Nita Schmidt, Corrections Captain -METRO
2. Jamie Ross, Executive Director - PACT Coalition
3. Larry Clarke, CEO -Your Choice Behavioral Services
4. Dr. Lesley Dickson , Center for Behavioral Health
5. Jaqueline Harris , Marriage and Family Therapist – Private Practice
6. Dr. James Jobin, COO - Vogue Recovery Center
7. Dr. Joseph Iser, Health Officer - Southern Nevada Health District
8. Dr. Ken McKay, Healthy Minds
9. Eric Lloyd, President of Amerigroup of Nevada
10. Charlene Frost, Clark County Children's Mental Health Consortium
11. Angelo Aragon, Las Vegas Fire and Rescue
12. Alexandra Fernandes, Detective- Nye County Sherriff's Office
13. **Assemblyman Steve Yeager, Legislator (CHAIR)**

Northern Behavioral Health Policy Board

Members:

1. Ali Banister, Chief of Carson City Juvenile Probation
2. Karen Beckerbauer, Manager of Douglas County Social Services
3. Edrie LaVoie, Director of Lyon County Human Services
4. Nick Aaker, Director of Carson City Health and Human Services
5. Taylor Radtke, Executive Director of Partnership of Community Resources
6. Adrienne Sutherland, Clinical Director at Community Chest
7. Sandie Draper, family advocate for NAMI Western Nevada
8. **Dave Fogerson, Deputy Chief of East Fork Fire (CHAIR)**
9. Sheriff Ken Furlong, Carson City
10. Wanda Nixon, Public Health Officer for Mineral County
11. Dr. Joseph McEllistrem, Clinical Director for Carson City and Douglas County Jails
12. Kevin Morss, Health Plan of Nevada Insurance Agency
13. Assemblywoman Robin Titus, Legislator

Rural Behavioral Health Policy Board

Members:

1. Bryce Shields, Pershing County District Attorney
2. Lois Erquiaga, LCSW
3. Elaine Zimmerman, Lincoln County Social Services
4. Jason Bleak, CEO of Battle Mountain General Hospital
5. Matt Walker, CEO of William B. Ririe Hospital
6. Amy Adams, Certified Drug and Alcohol Counselor
7. Dr. David Byun, White Pine County Health Officer
8. Dr. Erica Ryst, Psychiatrist- Adult, Child, and Adolescent
9. Unappointed position
- 10. Brooke O'Byrne, Director of Court Services (CHAIR)**
11. Fergus Laughridge, Humboldt General EMS Rescue Captain
12. Jeri Sanders, Eureka County Sheriff's Office
13. Pete Goicoechea, Nevada State Senator, District 19

Washoe Behavioral Health Policy Board

Members:

1. Henry Soletto, Attorney for Washoe Municipal Courts Legal Defender
2. Sharon Chamberlain, CEO of Northern Nevada HOPES
3. Jennifer DeLett- Snyder, Executive Director for Join Together Northern Nevada
4. Jeremy Matuszak, Psychiatry, Universal Health Services
5. Charmaane Buehrle, West Hills Hospital
6. **Charles Duarte, CEO, Community Health Alliance (CHAIR)**
7. Kevin Dick, Washoe County District Health Officer
8. Dr. Saide Altinsan, Psychiatrist
9. Monique Harris , Silver Summit Health Plan
10. Sandy Stamates, NAMI of Northern Nevada
11. J.W. Hodge, REMSA
12. Sgt. Wade Clark, Reno Police Department- Mobile Outreach Safety Team
13. Senator Julia Ratti, Legislator

Moving forward...

- All boards are meeting monthly as they work towards developing a bill draft for the next legislative session
- To accomplish this the boards will use the monthly meetings to:
 - Collect more regional information and data on behavioral health issues, service usage, etc.
 - Increase understanding service and treatment barriers/challenges in the regions via invited presentations
Develop priorities per region
- Additionally, the boards will develop a working plan to adhere to responsibilities outlined in legislation

Current priorities include, but not limited to...

- Intersection of criminal justice and BH
 - Legal 2000 processes
 - Specialty courts
 - Re-entry and diversion programs
- Emergency services/crisis response
 - Frequent users
 - Legal 2000 processes
- Medicaid and state funding
 - Utilization rates
 - Reimbursement rates
 - Cost effectiveness of programs
- Housing Resources
 - Supportive housing
 - Affordable housing
 - In patient treatment facilities
- Workforce development
 - Licensing board policies
- Transportation

Questions/Comments?

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