

MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Name of Organization: Legislative Committee on Health Care Subcommittee to Study Staffing of the System for Delivery of Health Care in Nevada (Assembly Bill 313, Chapter 410, *Statutes of Nevada 2003*)

Date and Time of Meeting: Tuesday, April 13, 2004
9:30 a.m.

Place of Meeting: Grant Sawyer State Office Building
Room 4401
555 East Washington Avenue
Las Vegas, Nevada

Note: Some members of the subcommittee may be attending the meeting and other persons may observe the meeting and provide testimony through a simultaneous videoconference conducted at the following location:

Legislative Building
Room 3138
401 South Carson Street
Carson City, Nevada

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A G E N D A

- I. Opening Remarks
- II.* Approval of Minutes of the Meeting Held on February 19, 2004, in Las Vegas
- III.* Presentation of Findings and Recommendations Published in *Keeping Patients Safe: Transforming the Work Environment of Nurses* (Institute of Medicine Report, November 4, 2003)
- IV.* Presentation and Discussion Concerning Health Care Quality Reporting Initiatives for Hospitals Being Undertaken by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, United States Department of Health and Human Services
Kristen Boucher, Communications Coordinator, HealthInsight
- V.* Presentation Concerning Turnover Rates at Valley Hospital Medical Center and Discussion of the Hospital's Efforts to Address the Nursing Shortage
Michele Nichols, Chief Nurse Executive, Valley Hospital Medical Center
- VI.* Presentation of Efforts of Hospitals Concerning Staffing and a Presentation of Recommendations Related to Staffing of Nevada's Health Care Delivery System for the Subcommittee's Consideration
Michele Nichols, Chief Nurse Executive, Valley Hospital Medical Center, and President, Nevada Organization of Nurse Leaders
- VII.* Presentation of Selected Results of a Statewide Hospital Employment Survey

Conducted by the Nevada Hospital Association and Discussion of: (1) The Potential Fiscal Impact of Staffing Ratios on Nevada Hospitals; (2) Data Concerning Nevada's Nursing Shortage; and (3) The Potential Impact of Mandated Nurse-to-Patient Ratios on the Quality of Care Provided to Patients

Bill Welch, President and CEO, Nevada Hospital Association

VIII.* Report Concerning Data Received by Certain Health Care Provider Licensing Boards in Nevada

Marla McDade Williams, Senior Research Analyst, Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau

IX.* Report of the Legislative Committee on Health Care Subcommittee to Study Staffing of the System for Delivery of Health Care in Nevada Advisory Committee (A.B. 313, Chapter 410, *Statutes of Nevada 2003*)

X.* Presentation and Discussion of a Document Titled "[Background Report and Discussion of Recommendations Included in the Work Session Document](#)"

Marla McDade Williams, Senior Research Analyst, Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau

XI. Public Testimony Concerning Recommendations Under Consideration by the Subcommittee, Including Recommendations Identified in the Attached "[Work Session Document](#)", Recommendations Related to the Staffing of Nevada's Health Care Delivery System That Are Made During the Meeting, and Any Other Recommendations That Are Related to the Staffing of Nevada's Health Care Delivery System

XII.* Committee Discussion and Adoption of Certain Recommendations, Including Recommendations Identified in the Attached "Work Session Document," Recommendations Related to the Staffing of Nevada's Health Care Delivery System That Are Made During the Meeting, and Any Other Recommendations That Are Related to the Staffing of Nevada's Health Care Delivery System

XIII. Public Testimony

XIV. Adjournment

*Denotes items on which the subcommittee may take action.

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Note: The Chair may call for a recess at her discretion.

Note: Agenda items may be taken out of order.

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