

Nevada Psychiatric Association

Legislative Committee on Healthcare

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Psychiatry is a Medical Specialty

- 4 Years of Medical School to MD or DO
- 4 years of Residency which includes a minimum of 4 months of Primary Care Medicine and 2 months of Neurology
- Psychiatric Rotations on Inpatient Units, Outpatient Clinics and Consultation Services
- The Fourth Year of Residency can be the First Year of a 2 Year Child Psychiatry Fellowship
- Become Board Eligible at the end of 4 years

Psychiatrists are Trained to:

- Do complete psychiatric evaluations
- Do a differential diagnosis which considers all possible medical conditions
- Do a mental status exam which includes a cognitive assessment
- Do a differential diagnosis considering all mental illnesses in DSM 5
- Prescribe medications
- Appreciate side effects, drug-drug interactions and metabolic efficiency of the patient

Psychiatrists also are trained:

- To be the team leader
- To consult to medical colleagues
- To interact with the legal and court system
- To do various forms of psychotherapy
- To collaborate with other providers of mental health care

Psychiatrists in Nevada

- There are 424 psychiatrists licensed in Nevada
 - 371 are MD, 53 are DO
 - 157 live out of state and 268 are in state
 - Seven in state are Inactive status
 - 91 are in the North and 177 are in the South
 - 18 in the North are residents, 25 in the South are residents
 - 12 VA psychiatrists have out of state licenses

Child Psychiatrists

- 48 Psychiatrists identify themselves as Child Psychiatrists
 - 24 in the South and 24 in the North
 - 20 in the South and 17 in the North are ABPN Board Certified in Child Psychiatry
 - Both Reno and Las Vegas Residencies now have Child Psychiatry Fellowships with 4 slots (2 a year) each

Psychiatry Residents

- Both Reno and Las Vegas campuses of UNSOM have Psychiatry Residencies
- Reno starts 4 new residents a year and Las Vegas now starts 6 a year
- Both programs plan to increase with new funds recommended by the GME Task Force and appropriated in the 2015 session
- 16 of the 32 graduated Las Vegas residents have remained in Las Vegas
- 33 of the graduated Reno residents have remained in Nevada including 27 of 46 from 2004 to 2016
- 35 UNSOM or Touro medical student graduates have remained or returned to Nevada after psychiatry residency

Where Psychiatrists Work

• Employment	North	South
• Private Practice	21	26
• State Hospital	12	23
• VA/AF	10	22
• Private Hospitals	17	32
• Outpatient agencies	5	17
• Jails/prisons/juvenile justice	1	6
• University/Medical School	7	7
• Research	0	5
• Retired	7	15
• Not working/locums/Unknown	4	15

Nevada Psychiatric Association

- Dual Mission: Education and Advocacy
- 161 Members
- District Branch of the American Psychiatric Association
- Participation and membership in many committees and groups
 - Commission on Behavioral Health
 - P&T Committee
 - Children's Consortium
 - NSMA/CCMS/WCMS
 - Suicide Fatality Review Committee

Educational Mission

- Annual Psychopharmacology Update Course
 - 1600 attendees in 2016
 - National and International attendees
 - Psychiatrists, Family Medicine, PA's and APRN's
 - 4 days and 33.5 CME
- Monthly Chapter (North and South) Meetings
 - Encourage resident participation
 - Updates on medications and other treatments
- Suicide CME yearly as per 2015 Legislative Session
- Social Media to Legislators, Government workers and Community members

Advocacy

- Tarasoff Language in statute: SB 15 in 2015
- Suicide Prevention CME: AB 93 in 2015
- Assisted Outpatient Treatment: AB 287 in 2013
- Fine tuning of mental health commitment laws
- Support SB 459 and similar bills in 2015 and encourage use of PDMP by psychiatrists
- Support an open formulary for psychotropic medications
- Work with other agencies and organizations such as NSMA, NAMI, Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Coalition