

Draft Minutes of the Tuesday, April 27, 2021 meeting

Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)
Grants Management Advisory Committee (GMAC)

The Grants Management Advisory Committee (GMAC) held a public meeting on Tuesday, April 27, 2021, beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Per Governor Sisolak's Emergency Directive 006, there will be no physical location required for this teleconferenced meeting; public comments by teleconference are welcome.

Agenda and/or Materials: http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/Grants/Advisory_Committees/GMAC/GMAC/

I. Call to Order

(Welcome, Roll Call, Announcements) Chair, Diane Thorkildson

The meeting was called to order at 10:33 am by Chair Diane Thorkildson. Connie Lucido took roll, and a quorum of the Grants Management Advisory Committee (GMAC) members was confirmed.

Members Present

Leslie Bittleston
Amy Kelley
Diane Thorkildson
Fernando Serrano
Shayla Holmes
Tom McCoy
Fred Schultz
Stacy York
Lisa Genasci
Shirley Trummell

Members Absent

Susan Lucia-Terry
Ali Caliendo
Amber Bosket

Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Grants Management Unit (GMU) staff present:

Beth Handler, Deputy Director, DHHS
Connie Lucido, Chief, GMU, DHHS
Cyndee Joncas, Administrative Assistant, GMU, DHHS
Jennifer Hughes, Administrative Assistant, GMU, DHHS

Others Present

Lily Helzer, Division of Public and Behavioral Health, Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion

II. Public Comment # 1

Public Comment will be taken during this agenda item regarding any item appearing on the agenda. In consideration of others, who may also wish to provide public comment, please avoid repetition, and limit your comments to no more than three (3) minutes. No action may be taken on a matter discussed under this item until the matter is included on an agenda as an item on which action may be taken.

Chair Diane Thorkildson invited public comment.

Kelli Goatley-Seals, Nevada Tobacco Prevention Coalition (NTPC), President, speaking on behalf of NTPC members and tobacco prevention and control partners statewide. Tobacco control and prevention in Nevada has been chronically underfunded when compared with the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommendation. Last biennium Tobacco partners received additional funding from SB 263 to address youth vaping. Great progress has been made including a Statewide campaign to decrease youth initiation and use of vaping products. The NTPC is asking the GMAC to explore funding additional tobacco prevention through the Nevada Clinical Services (NCS) partnership. When the NCS partnership was created about four years ago, the tobacco partners were told the funds reverted would be used to provide support for tobacco control efforts. Last fiscal year over \$1 million in funds reverted to the Fund for Healthy Nevada (FHN). Ms. Goatley-Seals asked that the issue of reversion funds being assigned to the tobacco prevention partners be brought forward at a future GMAC meeting.

There was no further public comment.

III. Approve April 15, 2021 Meeting Minutes

(Discussion, Possible Action) Diane Thorkildson

Action - Chair Ms. Thorkildson invited a motion to approve the April 15, 2021 meeting minutes. Leslie Bittleston motioned to approve the April 15, 2021 meeting minutes and Fernando Serrano seconded the motion. Chair Ms. Thorkildson asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion and ten members voted Aye. The motion passed with no discussion, oppositions, or abstentions. The minutes of the April 15, 2021 meeting were approved.

IV. Tobacco Funds - Department of Health & Human Services – Fund for a Health Nevada (FHN) – Tobacco Program Funding Recommendation - (Discussion, Possible Action) Diane Thorkildson and Lily Helzer

Lily Helzer presented the Funds for a Healthy Nevada: Tobacco Control Program, Abstract and Review Comments Summary document. The Request for Funding Applications (RFA) was released with a total award amount of \$950,000 per year and a two-year time span (July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023). Local health districts or non-profit entities providing tobacco prevent and control services were invited to apply. The RFA was divided into two separate components. Component One included a maximum of \$765,000 in funding with goals to prevent initiation, promote smoke-free jurisdictions, promote quitting among youth, and increase quality referrals to the state Quitline. Component One was formula based. Component Two had a minimum funding amount of \$35,000 to promote Statewide collaboration. Applications received did achieve statewide coverage. The evaluation committee met one time to review and discuss the applications.

Budget Recommendations: Component One
Carson City Health and Human Services - \$68,000
Partnership Douglas County - \$128,000
Southern Nevada Health District - \$437,000
Washoe County Health District - \$132,000

Total Funding Recommendation: \$765,000

Budget Recommendation: Component Two
Southern Nevada Health District - \$80,000

Total Funding Recommendation: \$80,000

Chair Ms. Thorkildson asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. Chair Ms. Thorkildson invited a motion.

Action – Tom McCoy motioned to approve the Tobacco Program funding recommendations and Fred Schultz seconded. There was no further discussion, ten members voted aye, no opposed, no abstentions, motion passed.

V. Other Information Items

(Discussion, Possible Action) Diane Thorkildson

There were no other information items.

VI. Public Comment #2

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Chair Ms. Thorkildson invited public comment. There was no public comment.

VII. Announcements and Adjournment.

(Information, Discussion) Diane Thorkildson

There were no announcements.

Ms. Bittleston motioned to adjourn; Chair Ms. Thorkildson adjourned the meeting at 10:50 am.

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<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/Grants/GMU/> and on the State of Nevada Public Meeting Notice website at <https://notice.nv.gov/>.

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