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## Nevada Office of Minority Health and Equity (NOMHE)

# Advisory Committee Meeting August 7, 2019 10:30 am to Adjournment

**Public Meeting Notice** 

## Minutes (FINAL)

Attend / Teleconference Availability:

Renown Health 10315 Professional Circle – Great Basin South Auditorium Reno, NV 89521

## Teleconference:

Dial: (775) 687 - 0999 Access Code: 62151

NOTE:

• Agenda Items May be Taken Out of Order Combined for Consideration, and/or Removed from the Agenda at the Chairperson's Discretion

### 1. Call to Order - Andre Wade, Chairperson

Time:	11:36 am

Roll Call / Welcome / Introduction of Guests

Andre Wade calls the meeting to order to asks all attendees to state their name prior to comments.

#### 2. Public Comment

No public comments made.

#### 3. Review / Approval of Minutes from May 21, 2019 - Andre Wade, Chairperson

Sam Lieberman motions to accept minutes and Cassandra Cotton seconded to approve. Minutes are approved as written and submitted.

## 4. NOMHE Advisory Committee Format – Tina Dortch, Program Manager

## Possible Tributes of/for Former Advisor

Tina Dortch proposes the establishment of a Health Equity Day on April 11<sup>th</sup> in remembrance of Tyrone Thompson. The second activity proposed is to brand pending Ally Training to reflect Tyrone Thompson's name.

### NOMHE's Legislative Advisor Role Overview

Legislative Commission will be meeting on August 21st. Members are directed to Memorandum page of the board packet. Tina Dortch references the 'thought provoker' statements handout. As possible replacements the Vice Chair references: Connie Munk and Teresa Bonitez Thompson as successors, as well as, Assemblyman William McCurty, Senator Evana Costanello, and Assemblywoman Britney Miller. Cassandra Cotton remarks on William McCurty and Connie Munk as contenders.

Andre Wade requests to know if Tina Dortch has a list of past Assembly advisors who may be of reference. Tina Dortch redirects questions to Janet Serial, NAACP representative and a former NOMHE Program Manager, to inquire the name of the legislative advisor previously. Janet Serial and Cassandra Cotton confirm that there was no previous advisor. Andre Wade asks how many candidates should be recommended to the Board. Tina Dortch states that phone calls will be made next week to move forward with the selection process, Cassandra Cotton moves that those four people be recommended to the Board. Connie Munk is ruled out as a candidate due to lesser interest by the Board.

Motion made by Vice Chair Sam Lieberman made a motion that the Program Manager put forth an inquiry to the above named elected officials into their interest in serving as Legislative Advisor then presenting slate to Legislative Commission prior to upcoming vote. Second by Cassandra Cotton. Motion passed.

## 5. NOMHE Sustainability Update - Andre Wade, Chairperson

## Sustainability (Budget)

Program Manager Tina Dortch states that the current budget can be referenced in the board packet and is fully reconciled as of June 30, 2019. This represents the next biennium for NOMHE funding. It is shown that there is no budget deficit and a slight increase seen in funding to reflect upcoming cost of living increase. More permanent staffing would only come from additional funding. Majority of costs coming from fixed expenses. Flexibility is seen in the budget to accommodate, for example, travel to northern meetings. Vice Chair Sam Liberman inquires the details of the Membership dues paid by NOMHE. Program Manager Tina Dortch will bring a list of applicable parties to the next meeting.

Chairperson Andre Wade questions where monies for support staff is listed on the budget. Program Manager Tina Dortch explains the DHHS funded contract to NVPHTC supports staff; contract will be discussed further with the DHHS presentation at 1pm. Andre inquired about the Health and All Policy (HiAP) campaign. NVPHTC retained Jessica Padron as HiAP Coordinator and she will be loaned to NOMHE. Their contracted funds will develop and implement HiAP module over the next two years.

Andrea Gregg asks if NOMHE is a 501(c)(3), Tina Dortch explains that they are not but its collaborative partner, the Nevada Minority Health Equity Coalition (i.e. The Coalition), is a designated 501(c)(3). Andre Wade asked a clarifying question regarding the initial projected DHHS funded \$100,000 HiAP budget. Tina Dortch responds that Julia Peek along with Dr. Izer looked through the scope of work and identified approximately \$100,000 in costs for the HiAP module's creation. This is expected to be more expensive due to more robust plan and staffing counter proposed by NVPHTC.

Chairperson Andre Wade called for a motion to approve the budget as presented. Cassandra Cotton offers the motion and Sam Lieberman provides the second. The budget is approved as written.

### 6. Nominations to Fill Open Advisory Committee Seat(s) – Andre Wade, Chairperson

Open Profiles for Ethnically Diverse Nominee(s):

- \* 1 director-appointed person with "notable interest in minority health equity"
- \* 1 Board of Health-appointed person representing the "public at large"
- \* 1 Board of Health-appointed person representing northern/central/rural NV

NOMINATING Discussion

Andre Wade mentions that the appointment of roles are of interest to Hispanic and Native American communities. Tina references member profile in board packet. Discusses Committee member Andrea Gregg's idea for a recruitment toolkit. Seeks input regarding the perceived effectiveness for toolkit. Committee

member Cassandra suggests the toolkit is too much to read, recommends elimination of two back pages. Would rather it focus on the mission of NOMHE and that the details should be disclosed later recruitment acquire net. Tina states that the packet items would not include the papers that Cassandra referenced, they are photo copies for the board to review. Tina asks for comments on the description page, Andrea Gregg says she would find it helpful to her in recruitment efforts. Sam asks if they are looking for names- Yvonne Allen from TMCC, and Eric Jimenez from Treasurer's Office. Cassandra recommends Yesenia Aries, patient advisor at North Vista Hospital; Cassandra offers to approach her. Andrea Gregg recommends Janet Reeves, ED for NV Urban Indians. Andre asks for clarification of process. Tina - required to submit a slate of candidates to the Board of health, they officiate appointment. Dates of upcoming Board of Health meetings are: are Sept 6 and Dec 6. Tina - recommends the December board hearing; of the three open seats hopeful to hear two in northern area; asks for input as to whether to go with these names or search further. Sam says that given current limited number of vacant seats (i.e. 3) to reach out to suggested persons before going to public outlets to solicit. Tina explained the current committee is approaching end of its 2-year appointment; coming close to '2nd generation' of board. Sam - those individuals should be approached. Andre - should go to these recommendations now and visit public outlets later on. Cassandra asks for clarification on profiles for the currently open board seats. Tina says three are open and two should be northern. Andrea Gregg asks if we can we ask public members in the room. Andre asks for public comment. Public member (Susie Deller) further recommends Janet Reeves from NV Urban Indians; Ms. Reeves also mentioned again by Janet Serial (NAACP). Tina says for the purpose of presenting at Sept 6, 2019 Board of Health hearing (and the short timeline to get on agenda), we should move forward with current recommendations. Sam Lieberman motions to present current recommendation to Board of Health, Cassandra Cotton seconds. Andre Wade moves forward with motion passing.

Short break called at 12:00 pm; called back to order at 12:26

## 7. NOMHE Activities and Impact Report – Tina Dortch, Program Manager

Tina Dortch presents the report via Power Point to the Advisory Committee (fifth report), with follow-up of previous advisors. Titled: Increasing Bandwidth, Fulfilling the Purpose. Presents slide for milestone meeting – (ie. first of the annual N NV sessions) today (8/6/19) showing the priorities from 8/7/18 to 5/21/19. Brief description of each milestone (four total). Stated that main point of meetings is going to be the activities and impact report. She is happy with progress made, reflected in document (agency marketing collateral)/program flier. Nevada Minority Health Equity Coalition - two impact summits, cultural competency training. Engagements: panelist at GOED forum on diversifying Research and Development efforts that will be promoted to take placed in the states; moderator for Community Partners for Better Health; conducted breakout sessions at Alzheimer's Association's Annual Education Forum - held workshop on implicit bias) including elderly, LGBTQ; shared remarks at Cleveland's Clinic 10th anniversary celebration (CC is major partner to NOMHE, enhanced relationship). Breaks off to discuss importance of mental health in NV.

Impact and capacity: topics of systemic change, mentions NOMHE will be working with NVPHTC officially (two staff members to be on loan to support NOMHE's programmatic activities), provided numerous letters of support for grants. Speaks that philanthropy is underutilized as a means to support sustainability. Lists target list, ie Kaiser, Robert Johnson Foundation, etc.

Initiative/engagement: All of Us mobile engagement asset input committee, NV chronic disease advisory, Cleveland clinic, task force for Alzheimer's, world AIDS day. Sickle Cell nat'l conference confirmed in NV next year. Ally Training Forum. Clinical Trial Diversification's 4 Step Outreach Action Plan has been in

place as NOMHE prepares for the return of All of Us back to Nevada to provide outreach on topic of clinical trial diversification. Goal is to build social trust which is lacking on clinical trial. Vice Chair will ask Nevada State College and CSN for host location possibilities.

Collaborative partner and HIAP update - Health in All policies discussed by Kelly Morning. Explains NVPHTC mission and goals. Major categories of HIAP: trainings, convening of stakeholder groups to collaboratively develop network that addresses health matters, 6 pilot agencies representing/addressing Social Determinants of Health. Action plans will be customized to each pilot agency, reflecting unique language, policy, etc; following assessments of current operations, adjustments to protocols will be created to allow agency to impact health of its clientele. Two-year commitment/ 2 Pilot groups, to show that health is impacted through policy. NVPHTC partnership will help facilitate pilot, design training tools and aid in implementation.

Tina opens to questions. No board comments, chair opens to public comments, and there are none.

## 8. Stakeholder Synergies – Three (3) Presentations By (Introduced by Program Manager)

#### Nevada Dept of Health & Human Services, Directors Office

\*see Power Point attachment\*

Julia Peek: Discusses bills for sub-awardee matching. Provides refresher on NOMHE funding. Shared remarks on HIAP: discussed its value and involvement in all departments (ie NDOT). Will hopefully become mandated in workplace settings. Implementation now involves aligned NOMHE with DHHS and NVPHTC to develop and implement.

Future/potential NOMHE efforts – "Building Generational Health Awareness" – a health literacy initiative. Additional "Academic Health District" relationships like the current HiAP model with NVPHTC. Continue to connect SDOH and equity. Focus should range from addressing homelessness to housing, tied into substance use and more.

Andre Wade asks for questions. Amy Scott from Renown - question about CHW bill. Julia - they are revisiting the concept next session and will be utilizing grants to continue initiatives,

Janet Serial (NAACP representative) asks if there is marketing to communities of color to get information out about Community Health Worker models. Julia - working on it.

#### US DHSS, Region IX \*see Power Point attachment\*

Sheila James - federal and local engagements. Provides materials for each board member to review/follow. Overview of regions, definition of languages specific to region 9 (NV, CA, HI, Guam, AZ, etc). Discusses barriers and challenges in applying technical assistance due to time/location of constituents. Main initiatives: Healthy People 2020, dietary guidelines, PA guidelines, HIV/AIDS strategy, etc. Noted that 10 of 46 most HIV-burdened counties in the US are in Region 9; one is Clark County, NV. Select priorities: HPV, HIV, adult vaccination, physical activities, infectious diseases, CVD mortality, kidney disease, revised "public charge" impact on immigrant's access of health care, digital determinants of health (using media for public health, text lines, web chat and social media ads), disparities, USPHS commissioned corps.

Gillian Barclay comments on national health service corps and medical doctor loan reimbursement, previously you could not work in palliative space but now you can. Sheila James comments that it is now embedded in all to ensure communities are able to get reimbursement and competent workforce.

The speaker discusses how offices of minority health serve as catalysts for change. Overview of Commissioned Corps services, civilian uniform service within government and first responders. Overview on transition from childhood to adulthood sickle cell care access.

Office of Minority Health began following the Heckler Report in 1985 identifying six key health disparities. #3 is health profession development. Since then, Office of Minority Health (OMH) has grown.

Noted the increase in Nevada's CLAS-related legislation - SB 364 and SB 470. Provided points of contact from US DHHS.

<u>Renown Health</u> \*see Power Point attachments from multiple presenters\*

### 9. Scheduling Matters – Andre Wade, Chairperson

The next two meeting dates are confirmed for November 19, 2019 from 12 pm - 2:30 pm and February 11, 2020 from 12 pm - 2:30 pm. The May 2020 meeting date will be decided with the input of absent and newly appointed Advisory Committee members.

### **10. Public Comment**

None were provided.

### 11. Adjournment – Andre Wade, Chairman

Time: 3:03 pm

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