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MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Name of Organization: Nevada Commission on Autism Spectrum Disorders
Funding and Insurance Subcommittee

Date and Time of Meeting: November 14, 2017
12:00 PM

Location: Aging and Disability Services Division
NEIS/ ATAP Conference Room
3427 Goni Rd., #103
Carson City, NV 89706

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Minutes

- I. Call to Order/Roll Call
Diane Thorkildson, Subcommittee Chairperson

Members: Brook Adie, Diane Thorkildson, Gwynne Partos, Shirley Gaw
Guests: Steven Cohen
Staff: Desiree Bennett

- II. Public Comment
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the chairperson. Members of the public may comment on matters not appearing on this agenda or may offer comment on specific agenda items. Comments may be discussed by the Board but no action may be taken. This matter may be placed on a future agenda for action.)

Steven Cohen commented that the NVCASD Subcommittee on Adult Services and Resources is scheduled for tomorrow morning at 7:00 am. He also stated that there may be a new way to resume the Anthem contract with Medicaid. There are also some issues with the state website that disbanded the Taskforce on Integrated Employment webpage with information regarding the state strategic plan. Ms. Adie stated that she will reach out to the contacts she has with the Division of Insurance. Mr. Cohen also clarified that the Governor's Executive order for the Commission expires June 2018.

III. Approval of the Minutes from the October 31, 2017 Meeting **(For Possible Action)**
Diane Thorkildson, Subcommittee Chairperson

Ms. Partos stated the contact information listed at the bottom of the minutes for accommodations should be changed to Desiree Bennett's information. Ms. Partos made a motion to approve the minutes with noted corrections. Ms. Adie seconded the motion. Motion passed.

IV. Discussion and Possible Recommendations on Top Priorities to the Governor's Report **(For Possible Action)**

- ABA Coverage/ Self-Funded Insurance Plans
- Autism Speaks
- Behavior Based Therapies Possibly Eligible to Receive ATAP Funding

Diane Thorkildson, Subcommittee Chairperson
Gwynne Partos, Subcommittee Member
Shirley Gaw, Subcommittee Member

Ms. Adie made a recommendation that the subcommittee identify relevant items in the Affordable Care Act (ACA) that provides benefit to the community and certain service coverage, a letter can then be drafted and send it to the Governor's office. Ms. Adie and Ms. Partos will work on developing a list of priorities under the ACA for the Subcommittee. Ms. Partos stated concern on a federal level with a new tax bill, regarding medical bills exceeding ten percent of an adjusted gross income, deductions can be made in an excess of that cost.

Ms. Adie stated that the report to the Governor is due every Decemeber and June of each year.

Ms. Gaw contacted a colleague and occupational therapist from pennsilvania who is well versed in the (DIR) floor time therapy model. She made an offer to attend a subcommittee meeting and address the topic and answer questions.

Ms. Adie clarified that ATAP does fund a small amount of children who need OT, PT and speech therapy. They cannot access ABA and the oher therapies at the same time under ATAP. Medicaid and other private insurance companies usually cover other therapies and not ABA.

V. Confirm Dates for Future Meetings **(For Possible Action)**
Diane Thorkildson, Subcommittee Chairperson

Ms. Adie made a motion to approve the next tentative meeting time for December 12, 2017 at 12:00 pm and January 16, 2018. Ms. Gaw seconded the motion. Motion passed.

VI. Public Comment (May Include General Announcements by Subcommittee Members)

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VII. Adjournment

Diane Thorkildson, Subcommittee Chairperson

Adjourned at 1:00 pm

Funding and Insurance Subcommittee Members

Diane Thorkildson (Chair), Gwynne Partos, Brook Adie, Shirley Gaw, Danielle Stage, Eric Lloyd, Vacant

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1. Aging and Disability Services Division, Carson City Office, 3416 Goni Road, Suite D-132, Carson City, NV 89706
2. Aging and Disability Services Division, Las Vegas Office, 1860 East Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89104
3. Aging and Disability Services Division, Reno Office, 445 Apple Street, Suite 104, Reno, NV 89502
4. Aging and Disability Services Division, Elko Office, 1010 Ruby Vista Drive, Suite 104 Elko, NV 89801
5. State Legislative Building, 401 S. Carson Street, Suite 3138, Carson City, NV 89701
6. Grant Sawyer State Office Building, 555 E. Washington Ave., Suite 4401, Las Vegas, NV 89119
7. Department of Health and Human Services, 4126 Technology Way, Suite 100, Carson City 89706
8. NV State Library and Archives, 100 Stewart Street, Carson City
9. Washoe County Health District (WCHD), 9th and Wells, Reno
10. Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD), 330 S. Valley View, Las Vegas
11. Elko County Library, 720 Court Street, Elko
12. Early Intervention Services, 2667 Enterprise Road, Reno, NV 89512
13. Desert Regional Center, 1391 South Jones Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89146
14. Sierra Regional Center, 605 South 21st Street, Reno, NV 89431
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