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NEVADA COMMISSION ON AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS MEETING

Date and Time of Meeting:

May 25, 2021 3:30 PM

Location of Meeting:

Date Published:

Aging and Disabilities Services Division Teleconference: May 19, 2021

In accordance with Governor Sisolak's Declaration of Emergency Directive 006; Subsection 1; The requirement contained in NRS 241.023 (1) (b) that there be a physical location designated for meetings of public bodies where members of the public are permitted to attend and participate is suspended.

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<u>AGENDA</u>

- 1. Call to Order: Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Roll Call:
- 3. Public Comment:

(No action may be taken upon a matter raised under public comment period unless the matter itself has Been specifically included on an agenda as an action item. Comments will be limited to three minutes per person. Persons making comment will be asked to begin by stating their name for the record and to spell their last name and provide the secretary with written comments.)

- 4. **For Possible Action:** Approval of Meeting Minutes from the Previous Meeting held May 11, 2021
- 5. **For Information:** Discussion Related to Budget Closing and Autism Treatment Assistance Program (ATAP) Updates
- 6. **For Possible Action:** Legislative Updates to Include Discussion of the Following Bills and approval of letter of support:

• Senate Bill 96

Relating to disability services; requiring the Department of Health and Human Services to seek an increase to certain reimbursement rates under the Medicaid program and the Autism Treatment Assistance Program for a registered behavior technician; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

• Senate Bill 217

Relating to applied behavior analysis; transferring responsibilities concerning licensing and regulation of the practice of applied behavior analysis from the Aging and Disability Services Division of the Department of Health and Human Services to the Board of Applied Behavior Analysis; making provisions governing providers of health care applicable to behavior analysts, assistant behavior analysts and registered behavior technicians; authorizing the Board to contract with certain entities to carry out duties relating to regulating the practice of applied behavior analysis; requiring members of the Board to complete orientation; revising the activities that constitute the practice of applied behavior analysis; revising requirements concerning the supervision of assistant behavior analysts and registered behavior technicians; exempting certain persons from provisions governing the practice of applied behavior analysis; revising the membership of the Board; establishing requirements for the ethical practice of applied behavior analysis; revising provisions governing licensure by endorsement and disciplinary actions; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

• Senate Bill 234

Making an appropriation from the State General Fund to the Interim Finance Committee for allocation to the Collaboration Center Foundation for the expansion and improvement of its campus at Las Vegas Ranch to provide services to persons with an intellectual disability, developmental disability or physical disability and their families and caregivers; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

- 7. **For Information:** Review of the Current Community Strategic Report, to Include Discussion of Resources, and Finances in Preparation for Upcoming Strategic Report
- 8. **For Information:** Subcommittee Updates Addressing the Lifespan of People Diagnosed with Autism
 - Workforce Development
 - Funding and Insurance
- 9. **For Possible Action:** Discuss and Approve Agenda Items and Discuss Future Commission Meeting Dates

10. **Public Comment:**

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11. Adjourn

Autism Commission Members

Trisha Lozano (Chair), Antonina Capurro (Co-Chair), Julie Ostrovsky, Korri Ward, Lenise Kryk, Ritzie Gratrix, James Howells.

NOTE: Items may be taken out of order, combined for consideration, and/or removed from the agenda at the Chairperson's discretion. The public body may combine two or more agenda items for consideration. The public body may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time. The public body may place reasonable restrictions on the time, place, and manner of public comments based on viewpoint.

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In accordance with Nevada Governor Sisolak's Declaration of Emergency Directive 006 there will not be a physical location for the Governor's Commission on Behavioral Health Meeting regarding the Annual Governor's Letter. The public is strongly encouraged to participate by phone using phone number 877-810-9415 Access Code:3254745 and downloading any material provided for the meeting at the website addresses below.

- As per Nevada Governor Sisolak's Declaration of Emergency Directive 006; Subsection 3: The requirements contained in NRS 241.020 (4) (a) that public notice agendas be posted at physical locations within the State of Nevada are suspended.
- As per Nevada Governor Sisolak's Declaration of Emergency Directive 006; Subsection 4: Public bodies must still comply with requirements in NRS 241.020 (4)(b) and NRS 241.020 (4)(c) that public notice agendas be posted to Nevada's notice website and the public body's website, if it maintains one along with providing a copy to any person who has requested one via U.S. mail or electronic mail.
- As per Nevada Governor Sisolak's Declaration of Emergency Directive 006; Subsection 5: The requirement contained in NRS 241.020 (3)(c) that physical locations be available for the public to receive supporting material for public meetings is suspended.
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