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## NEVADA COMMISSION ON AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

**Date and Time of Meeting:** December 6, 2024, 1:00 PM

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**Date Published:** **November 26, 2024**

# MINUTES

## 1. **Roll Call:**

Linda Tran, Corey Nguyen, Rachael Metz, Fatima Taylor, Loren Gonzalez, Steven Cohen, Omar Sanchez, Robin Kincaid, Carly Sconyers,  
Staff: Abbie Chalupnik and Wendy Thornley

## 2. **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. To provide public comment telephonically, dial [1 775-321-6111]. When prompted to provide the meeting ID, enter [757226277]. Comments will be limited to three minutes per person. Persons making comments 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.)

No public comment.

## 3. **For Information:** Discuss Subcommittee Objectives as it Relates to the Workforce Development Subcommittee Goals.

Abbie Chalupnik shared details Goals 3 (Expand the number and quality of professionals providing services to individuals with ADS), and 4(Promote a well-informed, empowered, and supportive Nevada population around the issue of ASD) from the full Commission's Strategic Plan approved on November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

There were Strategic Planning Updates Approved November 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Goal #1:** Maximize public and private funding sources to support the full scope of services needed for all Nevadans with ASD.

**Objective 1.1:** Beginning of original text: Secure state and federal funding, grants and other resources to ensure adequate service delivery. End of original text. Beginning of added text: Across the Lifespan for All Nevadans with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and their families. End of added text.

**Objective 1.2:** Beginning of original text: Expand access to health insurance benefits for ASD services. End of original text. Beginning of added text: Across the Lifespan for All Nevadans with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and their families. End of added text.

**Objective 1.3:** Beginning of original text: Expand Medicaid Coverage for ASD services throughout the lifespan. End of original text. Beginning of added text:

Across the Lifespan for All Nevadans with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and their families. End of added text.

**Objective 1.4:** Beginning of original text: Establish a self-directed care option for Individuals in Nevada. End of original text. Beginning of added text: Across the Lifespan for All Nevadans with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and their families. End of added text.

**Goal #2:** Increase the system's capacity for diagnosis, treatment, services and supports for individuals with ASD across the lifespan.

**Objective 2.1:** Beginning of original text: Promote and legislatively advocate for the adoption of policies and funding which deliver comprehensive services for young children to ensure optimal outcomes. End of original text. In this update, the words "to ensure optimal outcomes", have been deleted and replaced with the following added text. Beginning of added text: that extends Across the Lifespan for All Nevadans with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and their families. End of added text.

End of updates that were approved November 17<sup>th</sup>.

4. **For Possible Action:** Assign Tasks to be Completed by Subcommittee Members Participating in the Workforce Development Subcommittee, in Preparation for Upcoming Commission on Autism Spectrum Disorders Meeting.
  - Attending the ABA Board meeting and leave public comment.
  - Reaching out to colleges and community colleges with information on becoming an ABA.
  - Connect with service providers utilizing the Service Providers List Nevada [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1yOYJVs\\_KV8KVPuDqcidU8zUw6A3najNaw32\\_HGx7Faw/edit?gid=0#gid=0](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1yOYJVs_KV8KVPuDqcidU8zUw6A3najNaw32_HGx7Faw/edit?gid=0#gid=0)
  
5. **For Possible Action:** Assign Tasks to be Completed by Subcommittee Members Participating in the Workforce Development Subcommittee, in Preparation for Upcoming Commission on Autism Spectrum Disorders Meeting.

This was a replication of the agenda item above.

6. **For Possible Action:** Discuss and Approve Agenda Items and Discuss Future Commission Meeting Dates.  
The next meeting will be: January 7<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm  
Agenda items include:  
Standing items from this agenda  
Updates on action items
  7. **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. To provide public comment telephonically, dial [1 775-321-6111]. When prompted to provide the meeting ID, enter [757226277]. Comments will be limited to three minutes per person. Persons making comments 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.)  
  
No public comment.
  8. **Adjournment (For Possible Action):**  
Meeting adjourned at: 3:00pm.
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