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NEVADA COMMISSION ON AGING (COA) LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY SUBCOMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

Date and Time of Meeting: Thursday, January 18, 2024

1:00 PM

Location of Meeting: Microsoft Teams meeting

MINUTES

1. Roll Call:

- Members: Chuck Duarte, Jason Flatt, Natalie Mazzullo, Diane Fearson,
- Staff/Guest: Carole Hanley, Lorraine Belt, Johnathan Morman, Anthony Jones, Autumn Blattman, Ryan Studebaker, Madison Lopey, Pia Braunstein, Susan Waschevski, Christopher Vito, Elyse Monroy-Marsala, Crystal Wren, Katherine Strain, Autum Sparlin, Larry Weiss, Lorretta Moses, Kristy Zigenis, Julieta Gallardo, Belz & Case Government Affairs Scribe by Rewatch, Deanne O'Rear Cameron, Donna Clontz, Connie McMullen

2. Public Comment:

- No Public comment made,
- Welcome to new members Jason Flatt, Natalie Mazzullo & Diane Fearson
- 3. For Possible Action: Approval of Minutes of the August 10, 2023, meeting,
 - Deanne O'Rear Cameron motion to approve minutes.
 - Natalie Mazzullo second the motion
 - All approved
 - (This item will be re-voted on at the April meeting)
- 4. **For Possible Action:** Election for Chair,
 - Chuck Duarte motioned to self-nominated for the position of chair,
 - No other nominations were made,
 - Diane Fearon second the motion for Chuck Duarte as chair,
 - All approved
- 5. **Presentation and Discussion:** Medicare Savings Program Eligibility Determination and Enrollment,

Anthony Jones, Social Service Program Specialist III

- Presentation materials can be located on the ADSD Website: <u>Home</u> (nv.gov)
- Medicare program policy resource page: Medicare Savings Programs | Medicare
- 6. **Presentation and Discussion:** Regarding the 2023 Legislature Housing Bills and Housing options for Individuals with Behavioral needs,

Johnathan Norman, Esq. Statewide Advocacy, Outreach and Policy Director

- Presentation materials can be located on the ADSD Website
 - AB 298 had 3 areas of tenant protection. It would have regulated fees, required specific fee disclosures and it would have piloted a rent cap for seniors for an 18-month period.
 - AB 340 Was Summary Evictions, Nevada is the only state that requires the tenant to file first before an eviction has been filed. This bill would have switched the order of filing.
 - o AB 396 Rental assistance is in effect.
 - SB 335 was rental assistance and diversion court for seniors and those with disabilities.
 - SB 78 Tenant protections who have covered everything from the application fee all the way to the end.
 - o AB 135 makes getting identification easier for the homeless.
 - SB 155 allows courts to create pre-prosecution diversion programs.
 - SB 381 makes it illegal for a landlord to charge a fee when fulfilling a task, they are supposed to complete.
 - AB 310 requires the Department of Business and Industry to develop a supportive housing grant program.
 - SB 298 This bill creates requirements for the involuntary discharge from residential facilities for groups. (See Jennifer Richards article below).
 - AB 528 allows for matching state money if a nonprofit is formed with \$100 million to invest in Clark County homelessness.
 - Nevada Electronic Legislative Information System (<u>NELIS</u>)
- Jennifer Richards article: <u>Money, Cameras, and Involuntary Discharge: Legislative</u> <u>Updates for Long-Term Care-Nevada Lawyer magazine-January 2024 (nvbar.org)</u>
- Assembly Bill (AB) 310- Enrolled version: <u>AB310_EN.pdf (state.nv.us)</u>
- Housing Division contact information: <u>Division Contacts (nv.gov)</u>
- Interim Committee Meetings: Interim Committees Meetings (state.nv.us)
- 7. For Possible Action: Approval of Tentative Agenda Items for April 18, 2024,

- Presentation and discussion on housing options for individuals with behavioral health needs.
- Presentation from Nevada Hand regarding wrap around services for low-income seniors
- Nevada State Immunization Program (NSIP) presentation.

8. Public Comment:

- Katherine Strain stated that So. Washoe County Health District and Northern Nevada Health District are no longer able to vaccinate people in private homes.
- 9. **For Possible Action:** Adjournment: 3:02pm
 - Jason Flatt motion to adjourn,
 - Natalie Mazzullo second the motion,
 - All approved

Accommodation Requests and Meeting Materials:

NOTE:

Supporting documents referenced above in the "for possible action" items may be requested from Carole Hanley, Commission Administrative Support, ADSD at clhanley@adsd.nv.gov and is/will be available at the meeting locations and ADSD website at Nevada Commission on Aging (COA).

AGENDA POSTED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

Notice of this meeting was posted at the following Aging and Disability Services Office at 3208 Goni Road, Building I, Suite 181, Carson City, NV. 89706. Notice of this meeting was posted on the Internet through the Nevada Aging and Disability Services Division website at https://adsd.nv.gov and Nevada Public Notices website at https://notice.nv.gov