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# DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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## MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

*Name of Organization:* Nevada Commission for Persons who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing: Subcommittee Interpreter

*Date and Time of Meeting:* Friday, November 18, 2022  
4:00PM

*Place of Meeting:* In Person:  
3320 W. Sahara Ave, Suite 100  
Las Vegas, NV 89102  
Virtual: Zoom  
[Zoom Meeting Link](#)  
Meeting ID: 815 9397 1200  
Passcode: 212131

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Interpreters for this meeting: TBD

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**NOTE:** Items on this agenda may be taken in a different order than listed. Two or more agenda items may be combined for consideration. An item may be removed from this agenda or discussion relating to an item on this agenda may be delayed at any time.

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1. Roll Call & Opening Statement:  
Jaime Vitale, Chair

- Members: Jaime Vitale, Sara Sain-Jurgens, Dolores Parrish, Alina Duncan, Ehren Dei
- Guests:

- Accommodations:
  - Staff: Obioma Officer; Executive Director, Lisa Torres; Community Engagement Manager, Lorraine Belt-Dolan; Administrative Assistant III,
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. Comments will be limited to five 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.)
  3. Approval of Minutes of the September 23, 2022, meeting: (For Possible Action)  
Jaime Vitale, Chair
  4. Discussion and Approval of Recommendations related to Community Concerns: (For Possible Action)  
Jaime Vitale, Chair
    - Lack of Interpreters in the North Updates
      - Pipeline Issues: Access to accredited Interpreter programs and Interpreter based Education in the North Updates and Community Feedback.
  5. Executive Director Directives and Subcommittee Maintenance Needs.  
Obioma Officer, Executive Director
    - Welcome Ehren Dei, Vice president of NVRID as the new NVRID Representative
    - Added seat for BIPOC Representative, seat now available
    - REMINDER: Future Agenda items are to be submitted to the Subcommittee Chair and cc'd to the Executive Director 3 weeks prior to the next Subcommittee meeting.
  6. Discussion and Possible Recommendations for subject matter: (For Possible Action)  
Jaime Vitale, Chair  
Obioma Officer, Executive Director
    - Current proposed Recommendations: (For Possible Action)
      - Recommended solution for lack of access to accredited Interpreter Programs and Interpreter Based Education in the North through collaborations with Southern Interpreter Programs remotely (i.e., CSN, NSC, etc.)
      - Recommended solution for previous community concern – Registry restrictions and Fear of consequences for not meeting higher education requirements by requesting implementation of an alternative pathway. Make allowance for programs like CAS’s Mentor program or hours accrued in services satisfy Education Requirement.
  7. Discussion and Approval of any Recommendations related to Interpreter subcommittee Goals and Needs based on the Strategic Plan: (For Possible Action)  
Jaime Vitale, Chair  
Obioma Officer, Executive Director
    - Recommendation #2 –Government Accessibility
    - Recommendation #3 –Quality Interpreters
  8. Review, Discuss and Approval of tentative Agenda items for February 17, 2023, (tentative date) meeting:  
Jaime Vitale, Chair
  9. 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 five 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.)

10.Adjournment:

Jamie Vitale, Chair

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