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# NEVADA COMMISSION FOR PERSONS WHO ARE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING – GENERAL MEETING

#### **MEETING NOTICE**

**Date and Time of Meeting:** Wednesday, December 17, 2025

9:00 AM

**Location of Meeting:** Place of Meeting: TEAMS: **Join the meeting now** 

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# **AGENDA**

1. Roll Call and Opening Statement:

Eric Wilcox, Chair

- 2. **Members:** Angee Pompa; Eli Schwartz; Eric Wilcox, Ph.D., Chair; Catherine Nielsen, Vice Chair; Kimberly Bauer-Schaub, Ph.D.; and Jaime Vitale Newly appointed 11/6/2025
- 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. To provide public comment telephonically, dial +1 775-321-6111. When prompted to provide the phone conference ID, enter 941 550 670# Comments will be limited to five 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.)
- 4. **For Possible Action:** Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve Minutes of Aug. 13, 2025, meeting.

Eric Wilcox, Chair

5. **For Information Only:** Presentation from the Nevada Assistive Technology Resource Center (NATRC).

Scott Youngs, Project Director NATRC

6. **For Information Only:** Report on activities of the ADSD Communication Access Services (CAS) Program, discussion of relay administrator, and review of plans for community engagement.

Jennifer Montoya, Social Services Program Specialist III

7. **For Discussion and Possible Action:** Review and Possible Vote to Approve proposed 2026 Calendar for meetings and events of the Nevada Commission for Persons who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

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8. **For Discussion and Possible Action:** Discuss Outcomes of the NV Deaf Commission Townhall sessions in Reno, NV, Laughlin, NV and Las Vegas, NV and Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve of Commissioner Recommended follow-up actions following the NV Deaf Commission Townhall outcomes.

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9. **For Discussion and Possible Action:** Discussion letters to community from Catherine Nielsen and Eric Wilcox in response to concerns raised during the NV Deaf Commission's 2025 Townhall sessions in Reno, NV, Laughlin, NV, and Las Vegas, NV and community response.

Eric Wilcox, Chair Catherine Nielsen, Vice-chair

10. **For Possible Action:** Review, Discuss and Possible Vote to Approve Director & Chair Report Recommendations: Budget updates, seat details, community requests, Communication Access Services Report, partner engagements and upcoming outreach.

Eric Wilcox, Chair Catherine Nielsen, Vice-chair Obioma Officer, Executive Director

11. **For Possible Action:** Review, Discuss and Possible Vote to Approve Bylaw revisions to update Subcommittee Role, Subcommittee Recruitment, Removal of Commissioner and/or Subcommittee processes, and grammatical errors.

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12. <u>For Possible Action:</u> Review, discussion and possible vote to approve recommendations presented by each subcommittee as detailed in their respective reports, all reports are accessible in the meeting materials.

Lorraine Belt-Dolan, Chair of Accessibility Subcommittee

Jaime Vitale, Chair of Interpreter Subcommittee Eli Schwartz, Chair of Legislative Subcommittee Eric Wilcox, Chair of Education Subcommittee Obioma Officer, Executive Director

13. **For Possible Action:** Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve Tentative Agenda Items for the Next meeting, tentatively planned for February 11, 2026.

Eric Wilcox, Chair

14. **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 phone conference ID, enter 941 550 670# Comments will be limited to five 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.)

#### 15. **Adjournment:**

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