



Nevada Lifespan Respite Care Coalition (NLRCC)

MEETING MINUTES

Date and Time of Meeting: Monday, July 15, 2024
10:00AM

TEAMS Meeting

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1. **Roll Call, Opening Statement:**

- Members attending: Allie Blum, Amy Dewitt-Smith, Cherrise Brown, Cory Lutz, Dr. Deborah Howell, Kathleen Doyle, Rommel Timbal, Zaconia Turner
- Staff & Public: Carole Hanley, Samantha D'Ambrosio-Garcia, Kelcy Meyer, CJ Johnson, Autumn Blattman, Tori Diego, Laura Oslund, Charae Wamsley-Gipson, Lori Lutu, Franco Riley

2. **Public Comment:** No public comments made

3. **For Possible Action:** Approval of NLRCC May 18, 2024, Meeting Minutes:

- Cory Lutz motion to approve the minutes as written
- Amy Dewitt-Smith second the motion
- All approved

4. **For Possible Action:** Approval of Chair and Vice Chair Elections:

- Cory Lutz nominated Molly Walt as Chair
- Molly excepted the nomination
- Amy Dewitt-Smith second the motion
- All approved
- Amy Dewitt-Smith motion to keep Cory Lutz as Vice-Chair
- Rommel Timbal second the motion
- No others were nominated
- All approved

5. **Presentation and Discussion:** Caregiver Partner Updates:

- Nevada Senior Services (NSS) - Re-schedule for September meeting

- Nevada Rural Senior Volunteer Program (NVRVSP) - Schedule for a more in-depth presentation at September meeting
 - Currently serves persons over 60 or adults between 18 to 59 with a disability that requires caregivers 24/7.
 - Respite is provided in the rural counties, Washoe and Clark Counties do not qualify.
 - A request to bring this topic back at Septembers meeting as they are working on a revision to the grants that may change the program in some areas.
- Nevada Network of Northern Nevada (N4)
 - Presentation was posted on the Aging and Disability Service Division (ADSD) [ADSD Website](#) with the meeting materials.
 - Currently covers 12 Northern Nevada Counties,
 - Time Exchange is for anyone with those under 18 needing parental signature on the application.
 - **Time exchange** - is used to earn credits to get items of want or need.
 - **Volunteer Village** – utilizes a lot of student volunteers. They are partnered with causes which are reflective of their own interest. Recruitment continues for volunteers.
 - **N4 Connect** is the transportation program that is only in Washoe County as they have a contract with Lyft in that area only.
 - Free or reduced rides are given to people with disabilities who are 18 and up or over 60. Training is provided on how to use the app on a smart phone.
 - Voucher amounts are added to the Lyft app each month when requested. Currently clients can potentially get up to \$160 a month.
 - Vouchers are good for 365 days.
 - For members who do not have a phone or need assistance a concierge option is available.
 - **Community Care** is the largest program serving approximately 325 residences.
 - Currently employes 85 employees and contractors in Northern Nevada.
 - Community Care Partners provide intermittent support of in-home services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.
 - Community Care Partners also provide respite services.
 - Training is provided for family members who would like to be hired and paid.
 - Initially 5 hours of free respite care is given, additional hours can be provided on a case-by-case basis depending on the situation.
 - All staff are required to have a valid drivers license, insurance and registration.
 - Starting pay for care partners is \$19.00 and \$20.00 if bilingual.
 - **The Park Adoption Program** gets community members together to keep local parks clean.

- **Nevada Dementia Capable Community Care** provides comprehensive dementia, specific case management respite care.
 - Benjamin Rose Institutes Care Consultation program that partners with the Alzheimer’s Association to provide caregivers training in English and Spanish.
 - Training is provided on understanding dementia care for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to community partners.
 - For more information contact Amy Dewitt-Smith amy@neighbornv.org
6. **Review and Discussion:** Aging and Disability Service Division (ADSD) Report regarding Lifespan Respite Grants including AB100 Implementation and Executive Director position.
- Nevada Center for Excellence in Disabilities is assisting with project management. Currently navigating the contracting phase and aiming to finalize the new contract for presentation to the Board of Examiners in September.
 - Some key tasks under the expansion will include workforce development through gap analysis and training, facilitation of the AB100 work group and comprehensive project management oversight.
 - In addition, the NLRCC Executive Director position recruitment is open until the end of July 2024.
 - AB100 report has been submitted to the Legislature and will be distributed soon.
7. **Presentation and Discussion:** Discussion related to different uses of respite & defining types of respite.
- ADSD started reviewing examination of respite types of specifications.
 - Definitions may include home respite, which is providing services in the caregivers of care receivers home, allowing caregivers time away.
 - Respite services in adult daycares or senior centers.
 - Temporary residential care in facilities such as nursing homes or assisted living.
 - Exploring options to future breakdown categories to clarify specific uses of respite.
8. **For Discussion Only:** Tentative Agenda Topics: September 16, 2024, meeting:
- AB100 Update
 - NSS & RSVP Presentations
 - Member Appointment
 - AARP – Caregiver updates
 - Legislative table/topics
10. **Public Comment:** No public comments made
12. **Adjournment:** 10:52am

NOTE:

- Supporting public materials provided to Coalition members for this meeting may be requested from Carole Hanley, at clhanley@adsd.nv.gov and is/will be available at the meeting locations on the ADSD website <https://adsd.nv.gov>. Or [Nevada Lifespan Respite Care Coalition \(nv.gov\)](https://adsd.nv.gov).

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>.