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## Nevada Lifespan Respite Care Coalition (NLRCC)

### MEETING MINUTES

Date and Time of Meeting: Monday, January 27, 2025  
10:00AM

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

- Members attending: Allie Blum, Amy Dewitt-Smith, Cory Lutz, Dr. Deborah Howell, Molly Walt, Sharifa Wahab, Zaconia Turner
- Staff & Guest: Charae Wamsley, Tawny Chapman, LaDonne Knighten, Carole Hanley, Samantha D'Ambrosio-Garcia, Autumn Blattman, Karen Redding, Niki Rubarth, Tori Diego, Jonee' Minor

#### 2. **Public Comment:**

- No public comment made

#### 3. **For Possible Action:** Approval of NLRCC September 16, 2024, Meeting Minutes:

- Allis Blum motioned to approve the minutes
- Amy Dewitt-Smith second the motion
- No changes were noted
- All approved

#### 4. **Presentation and Discussion:** Alzheimer's Association Nevada Respite Survey, Administration and Results:

Charae Wamsley, Alzheimer's Association

- Presentation with meeting materials on the [ADSD website](#).
- Documentation is required as proof that the person living with dementia and the caregiver reside in the same location.
- There are no age requirements for the program.
- Over 200 surveys were sent out with 47% returned with 73% of the caregivers were using other respite programs as well.
- 45% of caregivers were using an in-home care provider.
- 89% found that the grant was extremely helpful.

#### 5. **Presentation and Discussion:** Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Funding Overview & Current Status:

- Tawny Chapman, Social Service Program Specialist, DHHS
- Presentation with meeting materials on the ADSD Website
- LaDonne Knighten, Social Services Chief I, Aging and Disability (ADSD) Representative From, Division of Child & Family Services (DCSF)
- No presentation given

6. **Review and Discussion:** Aging and Disability Service Division (ADSD) Report regarding Lifespan Respite Grants including AB100 the Implementation of a Pilot Program to Administer Certain Family Caregiver Assessments:

Autumn Blattman, ADSD Regional Coordinator

- New Caregiver Support Coordinator, Courtney Collins started December 23, 2024
- Regrouping and adding the Regional Coordinators to the team.
- New contract with the University of Nevada Reno (UNR)- Nevada Center for Excellence in Disabilities to do project management and training support.
- Looking forward to moving forward next quarter with workgroups reviewing AB11 implementation.
- The Lifespan Respite Conference (ARCH) is in April and one member will be able to attend.

7. **For Possible Action:** Discussion and Approval of 2025 meetings Dates and Priorities:

- March 17<sup>th</sup> and May 19<sup>th</sup> then revisit.

8. **For Possible Action:** Review and Approval of Member Appointments in the NLRCC Bylaws:

- Tabled

9. **For Information Only:** Tentative Agenda Topics for March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025, meeting.

- Presentation from Nevada Senior Services
- AB100 updates
- NLRCC Bylaws for member appointments

10. **Public Comment:**

- No Public Comment

11. **Adjournment: 11:35am**

**NOTE:**

Supporting public materials provided to Coalition members for this meeting may be requested from Carole Hanley, at [clhanley@adsd.nv.gov](mailto: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>.