



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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MEETING MINUTES

Name of Organization: Task Force on Alzheimer's Disease (TFAD)

Date and Time of Meeting: Wednesday, September 8, 2021
10:00AM

Place of Meeting: Aging and Disability Service Division
3320 W. Sahara Ave #100
Las Vegas NV 89102

Microsoft Teams Meeting

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1. Roll Call & Opening Statement:
Peter Reed, Chair

- Members Present: Dr. Peter Reed, Dr. Jennifer Carson, Tina Dortch, Wendy Knorr, Connie Johnson, Dr. Dylan Wint, Chuck Duarte, Senator Marilyn Dondero Loop, Susan Hirsch, Gini Cunningham
- Members Absent: Assembly Woman Lesley Cohen,
- Alternates Present: Cheyenne Pasquale, Dolores Ward, LeeAnn Mandarino
- ADSD Staff: Carole Hanley, Lorraine Belt
- Guest: Brittany Walker, Linda Anderson, Chuck McClatchey

2. Public Comment:

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- No public comment made

3. Approval of Minutes of the July 14, 2021, meeting: (For Possible Action)
Peter Reed, Chair

- Chuck Duarte motioned to approve the minutes
- Dr. Dylan Wint second the motion

- One revision request under #5, third bullet a correction that UNLV be included
- All approved with revisions

4. Presentation on Recommendation #3 Cultural Competency

Tina Dortch, Program Manager, Office of Minority Health and Equity

- Three non-exhaustive activities have been identified to help Cultural Competency.
 - Implicit Bias testing
 - Listening Sessions: 3-part session to express views from different cultural groups on what challenges they experience bases on their culture. March 16 African professionals, May 25 Asian professionals & October 14 Hispanic professionals
 - Powerful Tools for Caregivers: 6-week 2-hour program now available in Spanish, starting September 28th-November 2nd from 1:00pm-3:00pm. Equity Toolkit is also available: <https://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/CHA/MH/>
- All licensed healthcare facilities must take cultural competency trainings annually and at the time of hire.
 - [UNR Public Health Training](#)
 - [High Sierra Area Health Education Center](#)
 - 40 facilities have received the certifications for a customized training program that fits to their needs.

5. Presentation on Healthy Brain Initiative Road Map

Jennifer Carson, Ph.D., Director, Dementia Engagement, Education and Research Program

- Michelle Harden new Building Our Larger Dementia (BOLD) Public Health Program Coordinator.
- 2 Road Maps have been developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in partnership with the Alzheimer's Association. [State and Local Public Road Map](#), [Indian Country Road Map](#)
- Healthy Brain Initiative (HBI) is devised of four essential services of public health. Monitor & evaluation, educate & empower the nation, develop policies & mobilize partnerships, and assure competent workforce.
- 25 actions in the general Road Map & 8 actions in the Indian Country Road Map.
- NVBOLD has incorporated (E-1) Educate the public about brain health and cognitive aging from the Road Map in years 1 & 2 of the 3yr funding.
- (E-3) Increase messaging that emphasizes the importance of caregiving and maintaining caregiver health.
- Dementia Friendly Nevada (DFNV) is Partnering with the Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH), to develop Nevada specific toolkits.
- Updating DFNV website.
- Douglas County is the 7th community group (coalition) to join DFNV's efforts.
- (W-1) Educate public health & healthcare professionals on brain health.
- Requested a Healthy Brain Initiative work group be formed within TFAD.

- Dementia Friendly Nevada has not developed any goals or activities related to COVID-19 because the toolkit was developed before the pandemic started. Specific goals and scope of work for year one was designed with flexibility. The year two model did include pandemic efforts.
- The Pyramid Lake Paiute tribe is the first to implement the Healthy Brain Initiative Road Map for Indian Country.

6. Discussion and Approval on Potential areas of focus for new Recommendations (For Possible Action)
Peter Reed, Chair

- Dementia Crisis Response in Community and Residential care (Chuck Duarte may Lead)
- Healthy Brain Initiative Roadmap Priorities (Dr. Jennifer Carson and Chuck Duarte may Co-Lead workgroup)
- Dementia Inclusion in Memory Care (Undetermined Lead)
- Advance Care Planning (Susan Hirsch may Co-Lead)
- Cognitive Assessments and Diagnosis (Undetermined Lead)

7. Approval of tentative agenda topics for November 10, 2021, meeting (For Possible Action)
Peter Reed, Chair

- Caregiver Support update on NV Dementia Toolbox
- Update on Long-Term Care using Medicaid funding
- Update on Caregiver Recovery Funds use
- Care Connection Resources
- Updates on one or two of recommendations 6,7 or 8
- Senior Care Advisor for Medicare Waivers
- Review, focus and voting on new potential Recommendations

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- No public comment made

9. Adjournment: 12:11

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