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AGENDA

January 20-21, 2022

State Capitol, Room 317/ZOOM

Please note: All times are tentative. Some items may take more or less time than scheduled.

Thursday, Jan. 20

- 9:00 a.m.** **1. Call to Order – Roll Call**
Rep. Ed Stafman, Presiding Officer
- 9:05 a.m.** **2. November Meeting Follow-Up**
Sue O'Connell, Committee Researcher
- 9:15 a.m.** **3. SJR 14: Adult Mental Health Study**
a. Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics
i. Sue O'Connell, Committee Researcher
ii. Brett Beckerson, Director, Policy and Advocacy, National Council for Mental Wellbeing
b. Committee Questions
(Please note: Public comment on all items related to the SJR 14 study, including the CCBHC model, is scheduled for 2:15 p.m. on Thursday and 1:15 p.m. on Friday.)
- 10:00 a.m.** **4. HJR 35 Study: Children's Mental Health System**
a. Universal Depression Screening in the Schools
i. Sue O'Connell, Committee Researcher
ii. Dr. Bo Smelko, Montana Suicide Mortality Review Team Member
- 10:15 a.m.** b. Children's System of Care: Statutes and Status
i. Sue O'Connell, Committee Researcher
ii. Meghan Peel, Chief, Children's Mental Health Bureau, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)
- 10:30 a.m.** c. Provider Taxes – Josh Poulette, Legislative Fiscal Division
- 10:45 a.m.** d. Provider Perspective: Keeping Children In State
i. Mike Chavers, CEO, Yellowstone Boys & Girls Ranch
ii. Tom Livers, Director of Governmental Relations, Shodair Children's Hospital
- 11:00 a.m.** BREAK

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- 11:15 a.m. 4. HJR 35 Study (continued)**
- e. Update: Comprehensive School and Community Treatment Program
 - i. Superintendent of Public Instruction Elsie Arntzen
 - ii. Sharyl Allen, Deputy Superintendent, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)
 - iii. Jay Phillips, Senior Manager of Centralized Services, OPI
 - iv. Mike Waterman, Director of Business Services, Bozeman Public Schools
 - v. DPHHS Director Adam Meier
 - 11:30 a.m. f. Public Comment* on the HJR 35 Study
 - 12:00 p.m. g. Committee Questions of Speakers and the Public
- 12:45 p.m. LUNCH**
- 1:45 p.m. 5. General Public Comment*** on any non-agenda item in the committee's jurisdiction
- 2:00 p.m. 6. SJR 14 Study: Adult Mental Health System**
- a. Criminal Justice/Law Enforcement Practices and Perspectives
 - i. Crisis Intervention Teams – Shane Hildenstab, President, CIT Montana
 - ii. Rural Law Enforcement Perspective – Fallon County Undersheriff Nic Eisele
 - iii. Urban Law Enforcement Perspective – Yellowstone County Undersheriff Sam Bofto
 - iii. Department of Corrections Perspective – Director Brian Gootkin
 - 2:45 p.m. b. Crisis Intervention and Diversion Options
 - i. Sue O'Connell, Committee Researcher
 - ii. MarCee Neary, Program Director, Billings Community Crisis Center
 - iii. Levi Anderson, CEO, Western Montana Mental Health Center
 - 3:15 p.m. c. Public Comment* on the SJR 14 Study
 - 3:45 p.m. d. Committee Questions of Speakers and the Public
- 4:30 p.m. 7. Committee Work Session**
Committee Direction to Staff on HJR 35
- a. Requests for bill drafts
 - b. Requests for additional research and/or presentations
- 5:15 p.m. 8. Recess** until 8 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 21, 2022

Friday, January 21

- 8:00 a.m. 1. Reconvene – Call to Order**
Rep. Ed Stafman, Presiding Officer
- 8:05 a.m. 2. Mental Health Studies: SJR 14 and HJR 35**
- a. DPHHS Mental Health System Plans/Provider Rate Study
DPHHS Director Adam Meier
 - 8:25 a.m. b. 2023 Biennium Budget Information
 - i. Revenue Replacement – Quinn Holzer, Assistant Director, Legislative Fiscal Division
 - ii. Use of Medicaid Enhanced FMAP Funds – Josh Poulette, Legislative Fiscal Division
 - 8:40 a.m. c. Consumer Perspective – Bella Nyman
 - 8:55 a.m. d. Public Comment* on Agenda Item 2 Topics
 - 9:15 a.m. e. Committee Questions of Speakers and the Public
- 10:00 a.m. BREAK**

- 10:15 a.m. 3. SJR 14: Adult Mental Health Study**
- a. Blackfeet Tribal Matching Grant – Heidi Bird, Administrator of Behavioral Health, Blackfeet Tribal Health
- 10:30 a.m.
- b. Workforce Education and Training
 - i. Montana Office of Rural Health and Area Health Education Center
 - a. Kailyn Mock, Director
 - b. Beth Ann Carter, Assistant Director/Behavioral Health Workforce
 - ii. Montana University System -- Brock Tessman, Deputy Commissioner for Academic, Research & Student Affairs
 - iii. Bill Briggs, Academic Dean, Chief Dull Knife College, Lame Deer
- 11:15 a.m.
- c. Workforce Recruitment and Retention
 - i. Mary Windecker, Behavioral Health Alliance of Montana
 - ii. ARPA Health Care Workforce Development Efforts – DPHHS Director Adam Meier
- 11:45 a.m.
- d. Professional Licensure Options – Lucy Richards, Executive Officer, Board of Behavioral Health, Department of Labor and Industry
- 12:00 p.m.
- e. Committee Questions on Workforce Issues
- 12:45 p.m. LUNCH**
- 1:15 p.m. 3. SJR 14 Study (continued)**
- 1:45 p.m.
- f. Public Comment* SJR 14 Topics Other Than Montana State Hospital
 - g. Montana State Hospital Staffing and Patient Care Concerns
 - i. Sen. Mark Sweeney
 - ii. Jeremy Hoscheid, Executive Director, Mental Disabilities Board of Visitors
 - iii. Robin Haux, Labor Program Director, Montana Nurses Association
 - iii. Public Comment* on MSH Staffing and Patient Care
- 2:10 p.m.
- h. Committee Questions of MSH Speakers and the Public
- 2:30 p.m.
- 3:15 p.m. 4. Agency Oversight: Department of Public Health and Human Services**
- a. CMS Action on Medicaid Expansion Waiver – Sue O'Connell
 - b. Required Reports – Sue O'Connell
 - c. Administrative Rule Review
 - i. Administrative Rule Report – Alexis Sandru, Committee Attorney
 - ii. MAR Notice No. 37-909 – DPHHS Inspector General Carter Anderson
 - iii. Public Comment on DPHHS Proposed Administrative Rules
 - d. DPHHS Update – Director Adam Meier
- 4:15 p.m. 5. Interim Committee Collaboration**
- a. LJIC Update – Sen. Gross
 - b. Section B Interim Budget Committee Update – Sen. McNally and Rep. Caferro
- 4:30 p.m. 6. Committee Work Session**
- a. Plans for March Meeting
 - b. Committee Direction to Staff
 - i. MAR Notice No. 37-909
 - ii. SJR 14 Study: Bill Drafts or Further Research
 - iii. Other Items in the Committee's Jurisdiction
- 5:00 p.m. 7. Adjournment**

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