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PRELIMINARY AGENDA

Nov. 15-16, 2021

State Capitol, Room 317A/ZOOM

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

Monday, Nov. 15

- 10:00 a.m. 1. Call to Order – Roll Call**
Rep. Ed Stafman, Presiding Officer
- 10:05 a.m. 2. HJR 35 Study: Children's Mental Health System**
a. Overview of Study Presentations – Sue O'Connell, Committee Researcher
b. Factors Affecting In-State and Out-of-State Placement of Children
i. Craig Aasved, CEO, Shodair Children's Hospital
ii. Mike Chavers, CEO, Yellowstone Boys & Girls' Ranch
iii. Dennis Sulser, CEO, Youth Dynamics
iv. Meghan Peel, Chief, Children's Mental Health Bureau, DPHHS Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Division
v. Committee Questions of Speakers
- 11:05 a.m. c. Preventive Services**
i. School-Based Health Center Initiative
A. Kelsey Gummer, Program Officer, Montana Health Care Foundation
B. Chad Berg, Director of Special Education, Bozeman School District
ii. Other Prevention Opportunities
A. Kimberly Koch, Prevention Section Supervisor, DPHHS Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Division
B. Karl Rosston, DPHHS Suicide Prevention Officer
- 11:50 p.m. d. Public Comment* on the HJR 35 Study**
12:15 p.m. e. Committee Questions of Speakers and the Public
- 12:30 p.m. LUNCH**
- 1:30 p.m. 3. SJR 14 Study: Adult Mental Health System**
a. Overview of Study Presentations and Materials – Sue O'Connell, Committee Researcher
b. Overview of Individual Practitioner Types – Lucy Richards, Executive Officer, Board of Behavioral Health, Department of Labor and Industry

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- 1:45 p.m. c. Overview: Provider Entities
- i. Mental Health Centers – Mary Windecker, Executive Director, Behavioral Health Alliance of Montana
 - ii. Hospitals – Providence St. Patrick Hospital
 - A. Tom McGuire, Executive Director for Service Lines/Outreach
 - B. Jeremy Williams, Director of Psychiatric Services
 - iii. Federally Qualified Health Centers – Stacey Anderson, Policy and Communications Director, Montana Primary Care Association
 - iv. Indian Health Service Facilities – Bryce Redgrave, Director, Billings Area Office, Indian Health Service (*invited*)
 - v. Dr. Desiree Fox, Supervisory Clinical Psychologist, Tribal Health, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes
 - vi. Telehealth Providers – Dr. Eric Arzubi, Frontier Psychiatry
- 2:45 p.m. d. Public Comment* on Practitioner and Provider Types
- 3:00 p.m. e. Committee Questions of Speakers and the Public
- 3:15 p.m. BREAK
- 3:30 p.m. f. New Provider Model: Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics
- i. Sue O'Connell, Committee Researcher
 - ii. Lenette Kosovich, Rimrock Foundation
 - iii. Sydney Blair, Center for Mental Health
- 3:55 p.m. g. Payment Models -- Darci Wiebe, Administrator, DPHHS Health Resources Division
- 4:20 p.m. h. Public Comment* on Additional SJR 14 Study Items
- 4:35 p.m. i. Committee Questions of Speakers and the Public
- 5:00 p.m. **Recess** until 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 16

Tuesday, Nov. 16

- 8:00 a.m. 1. **Reconvene – Call to Order**
Rep. Ed Stafman, Presiding Officer
- 8:05 a.m. 2. **Mental Health Studies: SJR 14, HJR 35, HJR 39**
- a. Crisis Services
 - i. Melissa Higgins, Treatment Bureau Chief, DPHHS Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Division
 - ii. Scott Malloy, Program Director, Montana Healthcare Foundation
 - iii. Missoula Mobile Support Team
 - A. Terry Kendrick, Program Manager
 - B. John Petroff, Operations Manager
 - iv. Committee Questions of Speakers
 - 8:50 a.m. b. Provider Perspective: System Gaps, Needs, and Opportunities
 - i. Brenda Kneeland, CEO, Eastern Montana Community Mental Health Center
 - ii. Jim FitzGerald, CEO, Intermountain
 - iii. Matt Bugni, CEO, AWARE, Inc.
 - iv. Skip Rosenthal, Executive Director, Youth Homes
 - 10:00 a.m. BREAK

- 10:15 a.m. c. Consumer/Advocate Perspectives: System Gaps, Needs, and Opportunities
 i. Tyler Steinebach, Chairman, Western Service Area Authority
 ii. Matt Furlong, President, Central Service Area Authority
 iii. Brent Morris, President, Eastern Service Area Authority
 iv. Lesa Evers, DPHHS Tribal Relations Manager
 v. Matt Kuntz, Executive Director, Montana Chapter, National Alliance on Mental Illness
- 11:05 a.m. d. Public Comment* on the Mental Health Studies
 11:35 a.m. e. Committee Questions of Speakers and the Public
- 12:00 p.m. LUNCH**
- 12:30 p.m. 3. HJR 39: Commitment of Individuals with Dementia**
 a. Alternatives to Involuntary Commitment
 i. Dr. Patricia Coon, Montana Alzheimer's/Dementia Work Group
 ii. Eric Carlson, Directing Attorney, Justice in Aging
 iii. Georgia State Rep. John LaHood, Fellowship Senior Living
 ii. Rose Hughes, Montana Health Care Association
- 1:15 p.m. b. Public Comment* on the HJR 39 Study
 1:45 p.m. c. Committee Questions of Speakers and the Public
- 2:00 p.m. 4. General Public Comment*** on any non-agenda item in the committee's jurisdiction
- 2:30 p.m. 5. Agency Oversight: Department of Public Health and Human Services**
 a. Required Reports – Sue O'Connell
 b. Administrative Rule Report -- Alexis Sandru, Committee Attorney
 c. CSCT Rules (MAR Notice No. 37-963) – DPHHS Representative TBD
 d. Agency Update – DPHHS Director Adam Meier
- 3:25 p.m. 6. Interim Committee and Work Group Updates**
 a. HB 39 Working Group -- Rep. Dennis Lenz and Rep. Danny Tenenbaum
 b. Law and Justice Interim Committee -- Sen. Gross and LJIC Researcher Rachel Weiss
- 3:35 p.m. 7. Committee Work Session**
 a. Overview of topics for January meeting
 b. Committee requests for future meeting research and agenda items
 c. Review of revised schedule of activities
- 3:45 p.m. 8. Adjournment**

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