

Revised: August 4, 2023

**TENTATIVE AGENDA  
for the  
THIRD MEETING  
of the  
LEGISLATIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**August 7-8, 2023  
Student Union Ballroom  
New Mexico Highlands University  
800 National Avenue  
Las Vegas**

**August 9, 2023  
New Mexico Behavioral Health Institute at Las Vegas  
3695 Hot Springs Boulevard  
Las Vegas**

**Monday, August 7**

- 9:00 a.m.           **Call to Order and Introductions**  
—Senator Gerald Ortiz y Pino, Chair, Legislative Health and Human  
Services Committee (LHHS)  
—Representative Elizabeth "Liz" Thomson, Vice Chair, LHHS
- 9:15 a.m.           (1) **[Welcome to New Mexico Highlands University \(NMHU\)](#)**  
—Sam Minner, Ph.D., President, NMHU
- 9:45 a.m.           (2) **[Health Care Authority Department \(HCA\) Behavioral Health Update](#)**  
—Alex Castillo Smith, Deputy Secretary, HCA  
—Nick Boukas, Director, Behavioral Health Services Division, HCA;  
Acting Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Interagency Behavioral Health  
Purchasing Collaborative  
—Amy Whitfield, Special Director, Office of the Governor
- 11:45 a.m.           **Public Comment**
- 12:00 noon           **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m.           (3) **[Department of Health \(DOH\) Harm Reduction Program](#)**  
—Josh Swatek, Program Manager, Hepatitis and Harm Reduction Program,  
Public Health Division, DOH
- 2:00 p.m.           (4) **[Coalition for a Safer ABQ](#)**  
—Peter Cubra, Attorney at Law

- 3:00 p.m. (5) [100% San Miguel Behavioral Health Initiatives](#)  
—Matt Probst, P.A.-C., Director, Rural Community Engagement,  
University of New Mexico Office for Community Health; Medical  
Action Team Leader, 100% San Miguel  
—Melissa Duran, Behavioral Health Action Team Leader, 100% San  
Miguel  
—Chris Lopez, Sheriff, San Miguel County; Public Safety Action Team  
Leader, 100% San Miguel

4:30 p.m. **Brainstorming Session**

5:30 p.m. **Recess**

**Tuesday, August 8**

8:45 a.m. **Reconvene**

- 9:00 a.m. (6) [Improving Mental Health in Schools](#)  
—Dan Frampton, L.C.S.W., President, Board of Directors, Breaking the  
Silence New Mexico

- 10:00 a.m. (7) [Social Workers Addressing Behavioral Health, Substance Abuse and  
Homelessness](#)  
—Mika Tari, L.M.S.W., Executive Director, National Association of Social  
Workers-New Mexico

- 11:00 a.m. (8) [City of Albuquerque Family and Community Services](#)  
—Carol Pierce, M.S.N., Director, Family and Community Services  
Department, City of Albuquerque  
—Joseph Montoya, Deputy Director of Housing, Family and Community  
Services Department, City of Albuquerque  
—Maria Wolfe, Coordinator, Public Safety ECHO, City of Albuquerque

12:00 noon **Lunch**

- 12:30 p.m. (9) [Housing and Homelessness Panel](#)  
—Monet Silva, Executive Director, New Mexico Coalition to End  
Homelessness  
—Nicole Martinez, Executive Director, Mesilla Valley Community of Hope  
—Catherine Hummel, Executive Director, DreamTree Project  
—Winter Torres, Director, New Mexico Eviction Prevention and Diversion  
Program  
—Serge Martinez, Associate Dean of Experiential Learning and Professor  
of Law, University of New Mexico School of Law; Co-founder, New  
Mexico Center for Housing Law

2:00 p.m. (10) [Behavioral Health Programs](#)  
—Al Galves, Psychologist; Member, Board of Directors, Community Service Corps  
—Marylou Bonacci, Chief of Operations, Southwest Counseling Center, Inc.

3:00 p.m. (11) [New Mexico Behavioral Health Providers](#)  
—Stacy Martin, CEO, Santa Fe Recovery Center  
—Sandy Emanuel, CEO, Peak Behavioral Health  
—Jeanette Espinoza, Director of Outpatient Services, Peak Behavioral Health

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**Wednesday, August 9 — New Mexico Behavioral Health Institute at Las Vegas**

10:00 a.m. **Tour and Reception at the New Mexico Behavioral Health Institute at Las Vegas**

10:45 a.m. (12) [New Mexico Behavioral Health Institute at Las Vegas Presentation](#)  
—Tim Shields, Administrator, New Mexico Behavioral Health Institute at Las Vegas  
—Patrick Allen, Secretary, DOH  
—Arya Lamb, Policy Director, DOH

11:30 a.m. (13) [Bernalillo County Behavioral Health Initiative](#)  
—Jessica Jaramillo, Interim Director, Department of Behavioral Health Services, Bernalillo County  
—Pamela Acosta, Senior Program Manager, Behavioral Health Initiative, Bernalillo County

12:30 p.m. **Brainstorming Session**

1:00 p.m. **Adjourn**