

Revised: June 26, 2024

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

**July 1-3, 2024  
University of New Mexico-Taos  
Bataan Hall  
121 Civic Plaza Drive  
Taos**

**Monday, July 1**

- 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 the University of New Mexico \(UNM\)-Taos](#)**  
—Mary Gutierrez, Ed.D., Chancellor, UNM-Taos
- 9:30 a.m.           (2)   **[Recruiting Health Care Professionals](#)**  
—Jerry N. Harrison, Ph.D., Executive Director, New Mexico Health  
Resources, Inc.
- 10:30 a.m.          (3)   **[State Health Care Facility Staffing Update](#)**  
—Patrick M. Allen, Secretary, Department of Health (DOH)  
—George Morgan, Director, Facilities Management Division, DOH
- 11:45 a.m.           **Public Comment\***
- 12:00 noon           **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m.           (4)   **[Regulation and Licensing Department \(RLD\) Update](#)**  
—Clay Bailey, Superintendent, RLD
- 2:30 p.m.           (5)   **[Legislative Finance Committee \(LFC\) Report: Hospital Rates and  
Accountability](#)**  
—Allegra Hernandez, Ph.D., Senior Fiscal Analyst, LFC
- 3:30 p.m.           (6)   **[LFC Report: Physical and Behavioral Health Workforce](#)**  
—RubyAnn Esquibel, Principal Analyst, LFC
- 4:30 p.m.           **Recess**

## **Tuesday, July 2**

- 9:00 a.m. (7) **New Mexico Medical Board Update and 2025 Legislative Goals**  
—Karen Carson, M.D., Board Chair, New Mexico Medical Board  
—Amanda Quintana, Interim Executive Director, New Mexico Medical Board  
—Debbie Dieterich, Investigations Manager, New Mexico Medical Board  
—Monique Parks, Licensing Manager, New Mexico Medical Board
- 10:00 a.m. (8) **Higher Education Department (HED) Report: Expanding Behavioral Health Education Opportunities**  
—Patricia Trujillo, Ph.D., Deputy Secretary, HED  
—Jose Eli Fresquez, Ph.D., L.I.S.W., L.C.S.W., Cornerstone to Excellence  
—Veronica Sanchez, D.S.W., L.I.S.W., L.C.S.W., Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Cornerstone to Excellence
- 11:00 a.m. (9) **UNM Health Care Workforce Report**  
—Douglas Ziedonis, M.D., M.P.H., Executive Vice President, UNM Health Sciences Center; CEO, UNM Health System  
—Michael Richards, M.D., M.P.A., Senior Vice President, Clinical Affairs, UNM Health Sciences Center  
—Hengameh Raissy, Pharm.D., Interim Vice President for Research and Research Professor, Department of Pediatrics, UNM Health Sciences Center
- 12:00 noon **Public Comment\***
- 12:15 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m. (10) **Health Care Authority (HCA) Update**  
—Dana Flannery, Medicaid Director, HCA
- 2:30 p.m. (11) **Hospital Nursing Updates**  
—Nancy Laster, R.N., D.N.P., M.B.A., C.E.N.P., C.P.H.Q., Chief Nursing Officer, Lovelace Westside Hospital; Administrative Director, One Call  
—Holly Muller, D.N.P., M.H.A., R.N., C.R.R.N., N.E.A-B.C., S.V.P., P.D.S., Chief Nursing Officer, Presbyterian Healthcare Services  
—Brittany Hamilton, M.S.N., M.B.A., R.N., Chief Nursing Officer, Holy Cross Medical Center
- 3:30 p.m. (12) **Nursing School Updates**  
—Shawna Kemper, M.S.N., R.N., C.N.E., Director of Nursing, San Juan College  
—Dawn Kittner, M.S.N., R.N., C.N.E., Director of Nursing, UNM-Taos  
—Terri Tewart, M.S.N., R.N., Dean, School of Sciences, Health, Engineering and Math, Santa Fe Community College

4:30 p.m.            **Recess**

**Wednesday, July 3**

9:00 a.m.        (13) **Health Care Workforce Challenges**  
—Diane Martinez, Vice President of Human Resources and Administration,  
      Presbyterian Medical Services  
—Larry Martinez, Director of Legislative Affairs, Presbyterian Medical  
      Services

10:00 a.m.        (14) **Primary Care Association Update**  
—Yvette Ramirez Ammerman, CEO, New Mexico Primary Care  
      Association

11:00 a.m.        (15) **Health Care Providers' Perspective on Health Care Access**  
—TBD

12:00 noon        **Public Comment\***

12:15 p.m.        **Brainstorming Session**

1:00 p.m.         **Adjourn**

\*Members of the public may make virtual public comments during the public comment period of the meeting by following the instructions under the "Virtual Public Comment" section of the LHHS [web page](#).