

**2016 APPROVED
WORK PLAN AND MEETING SCHEDULE
for the
LEGISLATIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
and the
DISABILITIES CONCERNS SUBCOMMITTEE**

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Work Plan

The topics that the Legislative Health and Human Services Committee (LHHS) will cover during the 2016 interim are as follows.

Aging

The LHHS will examine matters relating to the state's long-term care facilities and home- and community-based long-term services, including issues pertaining to oversight, conditions,

litigation, long-term care workers and recent federal regulatory changes. The LHHS will also review matters relating to health benefits and other services and supports for elders aging in place.

Behavioral Health

The LHHS will continue to review the effects of a changing landscape on behavioral health providers and New Mexicans living with behavioral health conditions. The LHHS will review matters relating to specific behavioral health conditions, including opioid dependence and substance use disorders. It will review behavioral health services provided through Medicaid and other state government funding sources and innovations in the private sector.

Children and Families

The LHHS will review a wide variety of issues relating to children and families, including policies and programs of the Children, Youth and Families Department; the state's approach to addressing and preventing child abuse and neglect; evidence-based care to children and families who experience adverse events; juvenile justice; foster care; and services and accommodations for pregnant women and working families. In addition, the LHHS will review reports and recommendations from the Children's Court Improvement Commission and the J. Paul Taylor Early Childhood Task Force.

Corrections Health Care

The LHHS will hold a joint meeting with the Courts, Corrections and Justice Committee to hear a report from the Corrections Health Care Task Force, established pursuant to Senate Memorial 132 (2015). At the joint meeting, the LHHS will also examine the implementation of Senate Bill 42 (2015), providing for Medicaid enrollment assistance for individuals leaving incarceration. Additionally, the LHHS will review reports of lawsuits and other events relating to health care in the state corrections system.

The LHHS will hear testimony relating to solitary confinement and its effect on the mental and physical well-being of incarcerated adults, as well as children held separately from general populations in the state's juvenile justice system.

General Public Health

The LHHS will review a wide variety of matters relating to public health, including matters pertaining to immunization; access to care; the health care workforce; health risks; health disparities; and the impacts of cost on health care, indigent care and the institutions that serve public health in the state. The LHHS will also review matters relating to the state's medical cannabis program.

In a joint meeting with the Tobacco Settlement Revenue Oversight Committee, the LHHS will examine proposals to reduce minors' access to all tobacco products, including e-cigarettes; increase the price of tobacco products, including e-cigarettes; ban the sale of flavored tobacco

products to minors; increase cooperation with tribes, nations and pueblos in the state regarding tobacco sales and use; and promote messaging on tobacco use prevention and cessation.

Hunger and Nutrition

The LHHS will hear reports on matters relating to food and nutrition service availability and the possibility of consolidating food and nutrition programming; the state's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; and methods to address hunger and poor nutrition statewide.

Human Services

The LHHS will review programs and services relating to housing, financial services and assistance, employment programs and the administration of human services programs in the state. Additionally, the LHHS will review programs that address human trafficking, domestic violence and sexual assault.

Insurance

The LHHS will look extensively at the availability and cost of health insurance benefits, network adequacy, carrier practices and consumer rights. The LHHS will also examine topics relating to enrollment, the health insurance exchange and the health insurance market in the state.

Medicaid

The LHHS will review the Medicaid budget shortfall and actions proposed by the Human Services Department to address that shortfall. The LHHS will make this a priority for its review this interim. The LHHS will also look extensively at different aspects of the state's Medicaid program, including access to care; long-term care waiting lists and ongoing care; provider networks and reimbursement; managed care contract oversight; program administration; provider fraud allegations and due process; and the provision of individual Medicaid benefits. The LHHS will obtain reports from the Medicaid for Chiropractors Work Group and the Federal Medicaid Dollars Working Group.

Native American Health

The LHHS will review changes to federal law increasing Native Americans' access to health care at non-Indian Health Service facilities, as well as matters involving access to care on and off reservation; health conditions of concern; and health disparities.

Pharmaceuticals

The LHHS will hear testimony relating to the cost-effectiveness and efficiency of state government purchases of pharmaceuticals, as well as breakthroughs in pharmaceuticals. The LHHS will also hear testimony on the Office of Superintendent of Insurance's oversight of pharmacy benefits management.

Scope of Practice/Licensure

The LHHS will hear the perspectives of the boards, commissions, affected professionals and the community with regard to any changes proposed in the scope of practice for licensed professionals in the health and human services sector.

Women's Health

The LHHS will hear testimony from agencies, experts and the public on many issues relating to women's health and well-being, including reproductive health, public health matters, human services and supports and health coverage.

Disabilities Concerns Subcommittee

The Disabilities Concerns Subcommittee will review issues relating to public and private disability education, employment, financial and independent living services and support, the status of services and support for persons living with developmental disabilities and matters relating to individual disabilities.

**Legislative Health and Human Services Committee
2016 Approved Meeting Schedule**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
May 23	Santa Fe
July 6-7	Las Vegas
July 25	Pueblo of Isleta
July 26-29	Albuquerque
August 22-24	Taos
September 20-23	Farmington
October 25	Santa Fe
October 26	Santa Fe — joint meeting with Tobacco Settlement Revenue Oversight Committee
October 27-28	Santa Fe — joint meeting with Courts, Corrections and Justice Committee
November 14-15	Santa Fe

**Disabilities Concerns Subcommittee
2016 Approved Meeting Schedule**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
August 4	Santa Fe
August 25	Santa Fe
September 19	Albuquerque
October 7	Albuquerque