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Stacie Weeks, Director

Graduate Medical Education Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date and Time of Meeting: September 26, 2025 – 9:30AM

Name of Organization: The Nevada Health Authority

Place of Meeting: 9850 Double R Blvd Reno, NV 89521;

1210 S. Valley View Blvd, Suite 104 Las Vegas, NV 89102; Teams

Meeting

Advisory Council Members Present:

Dr. Paul Hauptman

Dr. Alison Netski

Dr. Wolfgang Gilliar

Dr. Ross Berkeley

Dr. Bret Frey

Robyn Dunckhorst

Christine Bosse

Mason VanHouweling

Dr. Jeremy Kilburn

Dr. Leon Ravin

Vance Farrow

Dr. John Packham

Stacie Weeks

Advisory Council Members Absent:

None

Nevada Health Authority Staff Present:

Dr. Malinda Southard, Deputy Director, Community Engagement & Workforce Development Alicia Roman, Project and Fiscal Officer, Community Engagement & Workforce Development

Agenda

1. Call to Order

Dr. Malinda Southard called this meeting to order at 9:30 AM.

2. Roll Call

Dr. Malinda Southard conducted roll call. A guorum was established.

3. Public Comment

Dr. Malinda Southard called for public comment.

• Public comment made by Nevada Senator Julie Pazina, thanking everyone for being here for the first GME Advisory Council meeting. Senator Pazina expressed her honor for leading Senate Bill 350 in 2023 which created the council in statute, and Senate Bill 262 in 2025 with moved the council from the Office of Science, Innovation, and Technology (OSIT) to now the Nevada Health Authority with an additional budget appropriation toward GME. Senator Pazina finished with, "I'm so honored to be among the presence of the people who are making health care happen and making it more accessible for people in our state. Thank you."

4. Welcoming Remarks and Introduction to the Nevada Health Authority

Nevada Health Authority Director Stacie Weeks provided a comprehensive update on the agency's current status and ongoing initiatives to strengthen the health care workforce. Her presentation highlighted key programs and strategic priorities within the Nevada Health Authority, outlining the organization's goals for ensuring delivery of reliable, accessible health care—and the roadmap to achieving them.

5. Council Member Introduction

Dr. Malinda Southard invited council members to introduce themselves and share the personal goals and motivations that led them to serve on the council.

6. GME History, Fiscal and Program Status

Dr. Malinda Southard delivered a detailed presentation covering the history of Graduate Medical Education (GME) in Nevada, the roles and responsibilities assigned to members of the GME Advisory Council, and the evolution of the GME grant program, including its various funding rounds and recipient institutions. She also provided an overview of the current funding outlook for State Fiscal Year 2026 and shared key insights from a survey conducted with organizations poised to benefit from GME support.

7. Introduction and Discussion of the GME Advisory Council Bylaws

Dr. Malinda Southard presented the draft GME Advisory Council Bylaws to the committee for review and input. Members provided feedback, including grammatical and wording refinements, and agreed to establish a minimum meeting frequency for the Council. A motion to approve the revised Bylaws was introduced and successfully passed.

8. Discussion and Voting for Council Chair and Vice Chair

Dr. Malinda Southard led the discussion and voting for selection of the Council Chair for the upcoming term. Christine Bosse was nominated to serve as Chair for a one-year term by Mason VanHouweling, and Dr. Leon Ravin who made the motion; seconded by Dr. Bret Frey. Motion passed unanimously.

The Council held a discussion and vote to select the Vice Chair for the upcoming one-year term. Dr. Alison Netski was nominated by Dr. Wolfgang Gilliar, who also made the motion, which was seconded by Dr. Leon Ravin. Dr. Alison Netski expressed interest in serving this capacity and gratitude for the nomination. The committee unanimously approved her appointment as Vice Chair.

9. Current State of Physician Workforce in Nevada

Dr. John Packham delivered an insightful presentation from the Nevada Health Workforce Research Center, analyzing health care workforce supply and demand, aimed to help guide strategic workforce planning and development regarding GME, and offer valuable datadriven insights to Council members on current needs and future investment priorities.

10. Advisory Council Work Planning Discussion

Dr. Malinda Southard led a walkthrough and open discussion outlining key upcoming timelines related to the ACGME-accredited sponsoring institution process. She also reviewed a draft GME grant timeline, detailing timing for the call for applications, scoring and evaluation process, and the Advisory Council's role throughout. The discussion concluded with proposed steps for launching the GME grant program and awarding funds this state fiscal year.

11. Next Meeting

To be determined – Dr. Malinda Southard will poll members for availability.

12. Public Comment

No public comment.

13. Adjournment

Dr. Malinda Southard adjourned this meeting at 11:53am on September 26th, 2025.

