

MINUTES
HOUSE HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, January 09, 2019

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PLACE: Room EW20

MEMBERS: Chairman Wood, Vice Chairman Wagoner, Representatives Vander Woude, Gibbs, Blanksma, Kingsley, Zollinger, Christensen, Green(2), Lickley, Chew, Rubel, Davis

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None

GUESTS: Wayne Denny and Brenda Gully, DHW/EMS Bureau; Fernando Castro, Steve Bellomy, and Ryan Smith, DHW/Audits & Inv.; Joyce Broadsword, DHW; Dieunka Dizney-Spencer and Elke Shaw-Tulloch, DHW-Public Health; Jodi Broyles, Board of Pharmacy; Liam Stokes, Veritas; Nicole Fitzgerald and Angela Wissel, Council on Domestic violence; Jay Shaw, Admin. Rules; Miren Unsworth, IDHW-FACS; Treena Clark, IDHW-BH; Wm. F. Powell, DHW-Rules Unit

Chairman Wood called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

DOCKET NO. 16-0102-1801: **Wayne Denny**, Bureau Chief, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and Preparedness, Division of Public Health, presented **Docket No. 16-0102-1801**. He explained the four responder levels, their training/clinical capacity, and the evolution of their scope of practice.

Changes permit emergency medical responders (EMRs), with additional training, to serve in the back of the ambulance, if they choose, allowing more opportunity for volunteers. Also updated are annual certification definitions.

MOTION: **Rep. Gibbs** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0102-1801**.

For the record, no one indicated their desire to testify.

VOTE ON MOTION: **Chairman Wood** called for a vote on the motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0102-1801**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 16-0103-1801: **Wayne Denny**, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Welfare (DHW), presented **Docket No. 16-0103-1801**, changing the EMS agency licensure language to utilize licensed EMRs, with appropriate training and function the same as an emergency medical technician (EMT) agency.

For the record, no one indicated their desire to testify.

MOTION: **Vice Chairman Wagoner** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0103-1801**.

Rep. Vander Woude spoke in support of the motion, although he expressed certificate requirement concerns.

VOTE ON MOTION: **Chairman Wood** called for a vote on the motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0103-1801**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 16-0107-1801: **Wayne Denny** presented **Docket No. 16-0107-1801**, adding EMR requirements for annual certification retention and maintenance.

For the record, no one indicated their desire to testify.

MOTION: **Vice Chairman Wagoner** made a motion to approve **Docket 16-0107-1801**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 16-0504-1801: **Nicole Fitzgerald**, Executive Director, Idaho Council on Domestic Violence and Victim Assistance, presented **Docket No. 16-0504-1801**. The changes incorporate reference to the revised standards manual.

For the record, no one indicated their desire to testify.

MOTION: **Rep. Chew** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0504-1801**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 16-0506-1801: **Fernando Castro**, Program Supervisor, Criminal History Unit, DHW, presented **Docket No. 16-0506-1801**, criminal history and background check applicants.

A new subsection includes persons providing Substance Use Disorder Services to the classes of individuals required to obtain a Department clearance. This reverses an inadvertent 2016 deletion.

The requirement for EMS providers and volunteers to obtain an enhanced department clearance is removed, although department clearance prior to receiving their state EMS license remains. Inclusion of a person in the state's Central Child Protection Registry with a Substantiated Level 1 or Level 2 Child Protection Event entry is reinstated as a disqualifier for non-enhanced clearances.

Answering questions, **Mr. Castro** explained the need to update in alignment with the Federal Childcare and Development Grant. He also explained the three child protection levels.

For the record, no one indicated their desire to testify.

MOTION: **Rep. Davis** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0506-1801**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 16-0506-1901: **Fernando Castro**, Program Supervisor, Criminal History Unit, DHW, presented **Docket No. 16-0506-1901**, a Temporary Rule. The Unit completes background checks for persons wishing to participate in programs impacting our vulnerable population, such as foster homes and certified family homes (CFHs). Rule changes incorporate members of newly created Citizen Review Panels.

For the record, no one indicated their desire to testify.

MOTION: **Rep. Kingsley** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0506-1901**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

DOCKET NO. 16-0737-1801: **Trenea Clark**, Program Manager, DHW Division of Behavioral Health (BH), presented **Docket No. 16-0737-1801** to replace "Axis 1 diagnosis" with "mental health diagnosis" to align with the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders V (DSM-5) categorical classification system.

The cost associated with the use of Child Support Services when alternate care placements occur, is being transitioned to the BH Sliding Fee Schedule. This change will remove unfair and unnecessary Child Protection processes and court judgements.

Answering questions, **Ms. Clark** explained Axis 1 is not as broad as the mental health diagnosis. The BH Sliding Fee Schedule is a poverty-level scale with a five percent service cap. Contracts with private community providers stipulate charging only for care provided, protecting clients when reimbursed rates are lower than the facility may charge.

For the record, no one indicated their desire to testify.

MOTION: **Rep. Chew** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0737-1801**. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Green(2)** requested he be recorded as voting **NAY**.

DOCKET NO. 16-0750-1801: **Treena Clark** presented **Docket No. 16-0750-1801**, establishing minimum standards for approved non-hospital medically monitored detoxification and mental health diversion units, a new model of care being implemented at the Allumbaugh House. Requirements include three distinct program types: detoxification units, sobering stations, and mental health diversion units. Changes reflect current terminology, clinical practice, and alignment with other Division program approval rules. Chemical Dependence Counselor is updated to Qualified Substance Use Disorders Professional.

Responding to questions, **Ms. Clark** stated the federal code reference addresses any future code changes. Providers are independently aware of federal and state facility requirements. Programs under this Chapter are voluntary, without federal mandate beyond facility standards.

For the record, no one indicated their desire to testify.

MOTION: **Rep. Chew** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 16-0750-1801**. **Motion carried by voice vote. Rep. Vander Woude** requested he be recorded as voting **NAY**.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:02 a.m.

Representative Wood
Chair

Irene Moore
Secretary