

**MINUTES OF THE  
SOCIAL SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS  
SUBCOMMITTEE**

Tuesday, February 7, 2017 • 8:00 am • 30 House Building

**Members Present:**

Sen. Allen M. Christensen, Senate Chair  
Rep. Paul Ray, House Chair  
Rep. Raymond P. Ward, House Vice Chair  
Sen. Daniel Hemmert  
President Wayne L. Niederhauser  
Sen. Todd Weiler  
Rep. Carl R. Albrecht  
Rep. Rebecca Chavez-Houck  
Rep. Rebecca P. Edwards  
Rep. Sandra Hollins  
Rep. Michael S. Kennedy  
Rep. Edward H. Redd

Rep. Christine F. Watkins

**Members Absent:**

Sen. Luz Escamilla  
Sen. Brian E. Shiozawa  
Sen. Kevin T. Van Tassell

**Staff Present:**

Mr. Hector R. Zumaeta Santiago, Staff Economist  
Mr. Russell T. Frandsen, Fiscal Analyst  
Ms. Clare Tobin Lence, Fiscal Analyst  
Ms. Tonya Hadley, Committee Secretary

**Note:** A list of others present, a copy of related materials, and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at [le.utah.gov](http://le.utah.gov).

**1. Call to Order**

Chair Christensen assumed the chair and called the meeting to order at 8:17 a.m.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

**3. Unfinished Items from the Previous Agenda**

**4. Public Input on Topics on Today's Agenda**

Ms. Trisha Beck, Advocate, Division of Services for People with Disabilities (DSPD), spoke to DSPD funding needs. Mr. Jim Roach, Director, Reliance Services, spoke to DSPD funding needs. Ms. Joyce Dolcourt, Past Chair, Legislative Coalition for People with Disabilities, spoke to DSPD funding needs. Ms. Deborah Bowman, parent and Chair, Utah Developmental Disabilities Council, spoke to DSPD funding needs.

Mr. Kelly Glenn, parent of boy triplets, spoke to the DSPD waiting list issue. Ms. Hilary Gilmar, Analyst, Leonard Consulting, spoke to the DSPD issue. Mr. Lynn Despain, parent, spoke to the DSPD issue.

Mr. Michael Guthrie, Vice President, Lewiston State Bank and Citizens Against Physical and Sexual Abuse board, spoke to the domestic violence issue.

Ms. Ginger Phillips, Peer Advocate, spoke to the issue of mental illness.

Ms. Savannah Gorder, representing herself, spoke to the independent living funding request. Ms. Shannon Meyers, representing herself, spoke to the independent living funding request. Ms. Shelley Olsen, representing herself, spoke to the the independent living funding request. Mr. Carl Whitmore, representing himself, spoke to the independent living funding request. Mr. Andy Curry, Executive Director, Roads to Independence, spoke to the the independent living funding request.

Ms. Natalie Coleman, Independent Living Specialist, Road to Independence, spoke to the independent living funding request. Ms. Vanessa Ashley, representing herself, spoke to the Roads to Independence issue. Ms. Virginia Guymon, representing herself, spoke to the Roads to Independence issue. Ms. Marsha Kershaw, parent, spoke to the Roads to Independence issue.

Mr. Kimball Gardner, Interim Executive Director, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Utah, spoke to the issue.

Mr. Owen Ashton, representing himself, spoke to the mental health issue. Ms. Kendra Wyckoff, Executive Director, Safe Harbor Crisis Center, spoke to the domestic violence issue. Ms. Jennifer Campbell, Executive Director, South Valley Services, spoke to the domestic violence issue.

Mr. Charlie Luke, Executive Director, Utah Association of Community Services, spoke to the issue. He read Ms. Kaelynn Beecher's statement about the DSPD issue. Ms. Erin Jemison, WYCA of Utah, spoke to the domestic violence issue. Ms. Andrew Riggle, Public Policy Analyst, Disability Law Center, spoke to the DSPD and mental health issues.

Ms. Julie Smith, Executive Director, YCC Family Crisis Center, spoke to the domestic violence issue. Mr. Young, Chief Deputy, Ogden Police Department, spoke to the domestic violence issue.

## **5. Building Blocks and Requests for Appropriation Related to the Department of Human Services (DHS)**

Ms. Jenn Oxborrow, Executive Director, Utah Domestic Violence Coalition, spoke to the domestic violence funding issue. Rep. Chavez-Houck, Rep. Redd, Chair Christensen, and Rep. Albrecht discussed the program.

### 5r-RFA - Christensen - Domestic Violence Local Shelters

Ms. Angella Pinna, Division Director, Division of Services for People with Disabilities (DSPD),

spoke to the funding issue. Rep. Ward asked about Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) children aging out. Mr. Mark Brasher, Deputy Director, Department of Human Services (DHS), spoke to the issue.

#### 5a-DHS - Additional Needs for Individuals Receiving DSPD Services

Mr. Doug Thomas, Division Director, Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health (DSAMH), Mr. Dallas Earnshaw, Superintendent, Utah State Hospital, and Mr. Jim Winder, Sheriff, Salt Lake County, discussed the program. Rep. Redd and Rep. Ray spoke to the issue.

#### 5b-DHS - Jail-Based Forensic Competency Restoration

Ms. Lana Stohl, Deputy Director, DHS and Ms. Shannon Alvey, Division Director, Office of Public Guardian (OPG), discussed the program.

#### 5c-DHS - Office of Public Guardian FTE and Contract Rate

Sen. Weiler presented the 2-1-1 funding request with the assistance of Ms. Chiara Cameron, 2-1-1 Director, United Way of Salt Lake, and Mr. Korey Klein, Data Operations Director, United Way of Salt Lake.

#### 5q-RFA - Weiler - United Way 2-1-1 Information and Referral System

Ms. Pinna discussed the funding request.

#### 5d-DHS - DSPD Waiting List Services

Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard and Ms. Jill Anderson, Executive Director, Citizens Against Physical and Sexual Abuse (CAPSA), discussed the program.

#### 5w-RFA - Hillyard - Citizens Against Physical and Sexual Abuse - 2017 GS

Sen. Hemmert, Ms. Kristy Cottrell, U4A Chair and Director, Davis County, Utah Association of Area Agencies on Aging, and Ms. Heidi DeMarco, Deputy Director, Mountainland, discussed the program. Chair Christensen and Rep. Redd proposed that this request should be ongoing funding not a one-time funding request.

#### 5v-RFA - Hemmert - Adult Aging Services

Mr. Thomas presented about the Medicaid match funds.

5f-DHS - Medicaid Match Funds for Local Mental Health Authorities

Rep. Redd, Mr. Kyle Snow, Immediate Past President, Utah Behavioral Health, and CEO, Northeastern Counseling Center, and Mr. Lincoln Shurtz, Director of Government Affairs, Utah Association of Counties, presented about Medicaid mental health match requests.

5g-Presentation - Medicaid Mental Health Match - 2017 GS

Mr. Shurtz and Rep. Eric K. Hutchings discussed the Justice Reinvestment Initiative (JRI) program.

5h-Presentation - Behavioral Health Treatment of JRI Population  
5h-RFA - Hutchings - Behavioral Health Treatment of JRI Population

Rep. Hutchings and Mr. Eric Schmidt, CEO, New Roads Behavioral Health and President of UAATP, and Mr. Adam Cohen, CEO, Odyssey House and Vice President of UAATP, presented about the Medication Assisted Treatment pilot program. Rep. Ward asked about the option to obtain less expensive medication from compounding pharmacies. Rep. Hutchings responded.

5i-RFA - Hutchings - Medication Assisted Treatment - 2017 GS

Rep. Norman K Thurston, Mr. J. Auer, CEO, RISE Services Inc. and Acumen Inc., and Ms. Sunny Todhunter, Director of Research and Compliance, Opportunity Management Group, presented about the fiscal intermediary rate adjustment.

5t-RFA - Thurston - Fiscal Intermediary Rate Adjustment - 2017 GS

**6. Items from the Next Meeting's Agenda**

**7. Other Business**

**MOTION:** Rep. Albrecht moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Christensen adjourned the meeting at 10:52 a.m.