

# Meeting Outline

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## Health and Human Services Interim Committee

Online Meeting, Wednesday, September 16, 2020

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

(Outline version: 09/11/20)

Anchor location for meeting: Room 30 House Building, State Capitol Complex, Salt Lake City, Utah

*Due to public health restrictions, members of the public are not permitted to attend the meeting at the anchor location but are invited to participate [online](#).*

Approximate  
Time Frame

### 1:00 1. Committee Business

#### Background

- [Draft minutes of the August 19, 2020, meeting](#)

#### Potential Action

- Approve minutes

### 1:05 2. Telehealth: The Future

*The committee will consider recommendations for legislative action to help telehealth realize its full potential.*

#### Background

- **REPORT:** [Preliminary COVID-19 Healthcare Trends: A Snapshot from Utah's All Payer Claims Database & Healthcare Facility Database Updated: August 2020](#) (Source: Utah Department of Health; see pages 9–10 for telehealth and in-person visits, by week)
- **REPORT:** [Increasing Access to Health Care Through Telehealth](#) (Source: NCSL)
- **REPORT:** [Telehealth Flexibilities During the COVID-19 Pandemic and the ATA's Recommendations for Permanent Policy](#) (Source: American Telemedicine Association; *federal policy*)

#### Issues

- How has telemedicine impacted the availability, cost, and quality of care during the COVID-19 pandemic at both the individual and population levels?
- What are the remaining barriers to realizing telemedicine's full potential to improve

individual and population health outcomes by improving the availability, cost, and quality of care?

- Are there steps the Legislature could take to address those barriers?

## Presenters

### **INSURANCE CLAIMS FOR TELEHEALTH DURING COVID-19**

*(10 minutes, including questions)*

- Sterling Petersen and Carl Letamendi, Office of Healthcare Statistics, Utah Department of Health

### **TELEHEALTH OVERVIEW**

*(25 minutes, including questions)*

- Matt McCullough, Utah Education and Telehealth Network (UETN)
- Dr. Sarah Woolsey, Utah Telehealth Advisory Council
- Topics
  - The vision of telehealth
  - Current infrastructure
  - Current payment and delivery systems
  - Gaps and barriers
  - Recommendations for legislative action

Note: UETN is required to "...explore and encourage the development of telehealth services as a means of reducing health care costs and increasing health care quality and access...[and] advise...the Legislature on: (i) the role of telehealth in the state; (ii) the policy issues related to telehealth; (iii) the changing telehealth needs and resources in the state; and (iv) state budgetary matters related to telehealth." [Utah Code Subsections 53B-17-105\(2\)\(g\) and \(h\)](#)

### **PROVIDER PERSPECTIVES**

*(30 minutes, including questions)*

- David C. Gessel, Utah Hospital Association
- University of Utah Health
- Intermountain Healthcare
- Utah Medical Association
- Topics
  - Current uses of telehealth
  - Vision for the future
  - Gaps and barriers
  - Recommendations for legislative action

## Potential Action

- Determine next steps

- 2:35     **3. Sunset Review: Telehealth Mental Health Pilot Program**  
*Utah Code Section 62A-15-114, Telehealth Mental Health Pilot Program, is scheduled for repeal December 31, 2021, unless reauthorized by the Legislature. The committee will conduct a sunset review of the statute.*

#### Background

- [Utah Code Section 62A-15-114, Telehealth Mental Health Pilot Program](#)
- [Utah Code Subsection 63I-1-262\(6\)](#) (Repealer)
- [Sunset Reviews: A Brief Overview](#) (Source: Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel)

#### Issues

- Have the statute's objectives been accomplished effectively and efficiently?
- Should the statute be reauthorized? With amendment or without? For how long?

#### Presenters

- Doug Thomas, Director, Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health, Utah Department of Human Services
- Public comment

#### Potential Action

- Determine whether to recommend reauthorization of the statute, with or without amendment.

- 2:50     **4. Sunset Review: Child Protection Unit Pilot Program**  
*Utah Code Section 62A-4a-202.9, Child Protection Unit Pilot Program, is scheduled for repeal December 31, 2021, unless reauthorized by the Legislature. The committee will conduct a sunset review of the statute.*

#### Background

- [Utah Code Section 62A-4a-202.9, Child Protection Unit Pilot Program](#)
- [Utah Code Subsection 63I-1-262\(3\)](#) (Repealer)
- [Sunset Reviews: A Brief Overview](#) (Source: Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel)

### Issues

- Have the statute's objectives been accomplished effectively and efficiently?
- Should the statute be reauthorized? With amendment or without? For how long?

### Presenters

- Diane Moore, Director, Division of Child and Family Services, Utah Department of Human Services
- Chair Christensen (sponsor of 2019 S.B. 40, which extended the sunset date for two years)
- Public comment

### Potential Action

- Determine whether to recommend reauthorization of the statute, with or without amendment.

- 3:05    **5. Sunset Review: Utah Commission on Aging**  
*Utah Code Title 63M, Chapter 11, Utah Commission on Aging, is scheduled for repeal July 1, 2021, unless reauthorized by the Legislature. The committee will conduct a sunset review of the statute.*

### Background

- [Utah Code Title 63M, Chapter 11, Utah Commission on Aging](#)
- [Utah Code Section 63I-1-263\(26\)](#) (Repealer)
- [Sunset Reviews: A Brief Overview](#) (Source: Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel)
- [Utah Commission on Aging Annual Report, 2018-19](#)

### Issues

- Have the statute's objectives been accomplished effectively and efficiently?
- Should the statute be reauthorized? With amendment or without? For how long?

### Presenters

- Rob Ence, Executive Director, Utah Commission on Aging

- Public comment

### Potential Action

- Determine whether to recommend reauthorization of the statute, with or without amendment.

- 3:20 6. **Sunset Review: Kurt Oscarson Children’s Organ Transplant Coordinating Committee**  
*Utah Code Title 26, Chapter 18a, Kurt Oscarson Children’s Organ Transplant Coordinating Committee, is scheduled for repeal July 1, 2021, unless reauthorized by the Legislature. The committee will conduct a sunset review of the statute.*

### Background

- [Utah Code Title 26, Chapter 18a, Kurt Oscarson Children’s Organ Transplant Coordinating Committee](#)
- [Utah Code Subsection 63I-1-226\(16\)](#) (Repealer)
- [Application for loan from the Kurt Oscarson Children’s Organ Transplant Fund](#) (Source: Utah Department of Health)
- [PRESENTATION: Kurt Oscarson Children’s Organ Transplant Fund \(KOCOTF\) Sunset Review](#) (Source: Utah Department of Health)
- [Sunset Reviews: A Brief Overview](#) (Source: Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel)

### Issues

- Have the statute’s objectives been accomplished effectively and efficiently?
- Should the statute be reauthorized? With amendment or without? For how long?

### Presenters

- Dr. Marc Babitz, Director, Division of Family Health and Preparedness, Utah Department of Health
- Noel Taxin, Chair, Kurt Oscarson, Children’s Organ Transplant Coordinating Committee and Director, Bureau of Children with Special Health Care Needs, Utah Department of Health
- Ann Rasmussen, Kurt Oscarson Children’s Organ Transplant Coordinating Committee
- Public comment

### Potential Action

- Determine whether to recommend reauthorization of the statute, with or without amendment.

## 3:35 7. COVID-19: An Update

*The committee will continue its oversight of the state's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.*

### Background

- [Coronavirus.Utah.gov](https://www.coronavirus.utah.gov) (Utah Coronavirus Task Force)
- [Phased Guidelines for the General Public and Businesses to Maximize Public Health and Economic Reactivation Version 4.11](#) (Source: Governor's Office of Management and Budget et al.)

### Presenters

- Utah Department of Health
  - Rich Saunders, Interim Executive Director
  - Dr. Angela Dunn, State Epidemiologist
  - Nathan Checketts, Covid-19 Testing Manager
  - Heather Borski, Deputy Director

### Potential Action

- Request additional information

## 3:50 8. Adjourn