



Meeting Outline

[Health and Human Services Interim Committee](#) | August 20, 2025

Health and Human Services Interim Committee

Wednesday, August 20, 2025

8:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Room 30 House Building

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AGENDA OVERVIEW

1. Committee Business
2. Healthcare Occupational Regulation
3. Follow-Up Audit of Healthcare in State Prisons
4. Medication Assisted Treatment in Carceral Settings
5. Office of the Medical Examiner Fatality Review
6. Medicaid Funding Amendments
7. Other Committee Business/Adjourn

Approximate
Time Frame

8:35 1. Committee Business

Background

- Minutes: [Draft minutes](#) of the June 2025, meeting
- Reports (received since the committee's last meeting)
 - o [Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Fund](#)
 - o [DHHS Committees Report](#)
 - o [HOME Court Pilot Program Report](#)
 - o [Integrated Behavioral Health Care Grant Program Report](#)

Presenters

- Chair Grover

Potential Action

- Approve minutes

8:40 2. Healthcare Occupational Regulation

Background

[Section 13-1b-203](#) requires the Office of Professional Licensure Review (OPLR) to conduct a review of each regulated occupation at least once every 10 years. OPLR will provide an update on its periodic review of [nursing and allied medical profession occupations](#).

Presenters

- Jeff Shumway, Director, OPLR



- Jordan Gygi, Analyst, OPLR

Potential Action

- Request follow-up information
- Request legislation

9:00

3. Follow-Up Audit of Healthcare in State Prisons

Background

At the Wednesday, June 18, 2025, meeting of the Legislative Audit Subcommittee, the Office of the Legislative Auditor General (OLAG) presented Report No. 2025-12 "A Second In-Depth Follow-Up of Healthcare in State Prisons." At that meeting, and in accordance with UCA 36-12-8, the HHS Interim Committee was assigned to be the lead review committee for the audit.

- [#2025-12, A Second In-Depth Follow-Up of Healthcare in State Prisons](#). (Source: OLAG)
- [Audit Summary](#) (Source: OLAG)
- [Audit Presentation](#) (Source: OLAG)

Presenters

- Brendon Ressler, Lead Performance Auditor, OLAG
- Brian Dean, Deputy Auditor General, OLAG
- Nicole Luscher, Performance Audit Supervisor, OLAG
- Tracy Gruber, Executive Director, DHHS
- Dr. Marc Wisner, CHS Clinical Director, DHHS

Potential Action

- Request follow-up information
- Request legislation

9:20

4. Medication Assisted Treatment in Carceral Settings

Background

[SB 212](#) (2024 GS) allowed for the Department of Corrections (DOC) in collaboration with the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to cooperate with medical personnel to continue a medication assisted treatment plan for inmates who had an active medication assisted treatment plan prior to incarceration.

The committee will be briefed on the implementation of medication assisted treatment in the prison setting.

Presenters

- Dr. Stacy Bank, Medical Director, DHHS
- Dr. Marc Wisner, CHS Clinical Director, DHHS
- Christi Johnson, MAT Director, DHHS
- Mike Schoenfeld, Deputy Executive Director, UDC
- Carolina Herrin, Legislative Affairs, UDC



Potential Action

- Request follow-up information
- Request legislation

10:00

5. Office of the Medical Examiner Fatality Review

Background

The Office of the Medical Examiner (OME) will present recommendations from recent fatality reviews to the committee for consideration.

The OME, in partnership which is part of the Utah Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), co-leads fatality reviews with the DHHS' Violence and Injury Prevention Program. Authorized under the Injury Reporting Rule ([R386-703](#)) and the Medical Examiner's statutory authority, these reviews are conducted to identify missed opportunities for prevention and to produce recommendations aimed at preventing future, similar deaths. While the review process routinely produces these recommendations, there is currently no formal process or statutory requirement for sharing them with external agencies or the Utah Legislature.

Presenters

- Megan Broekemeier, Drug Overdose Prevention Research Coordinator, OME

Potential Action

- Request follow-up information
- Request legislation

10:30

6. Medicaid Funding Amendments

Background

The committee will consider draft legislation that amends provisions related to state and federal funding of Utah's Medicaid expansion program.

Presenters

DRAFT LEGISLATION: Medicaid Funding Amendments (*forthcoming*)

- Representative Steve Eliason

Public Comment

The chair may not take comment from a member of the public unless the individual provides the individual's legal name and the entity they represent, if any, and if the individual is participating via Zoom, the individual states their place of residence and their video is enabled.

Potential Action

- Request follow-up information
- Recommend draft legislation, with or without amendment



11:00

7. Other Items/Adjourn