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# KIDNEY DISEASE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (KDAC)

## DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

Date: January 8, 2025

Time: 1:30 PM - Adjournment

Location: Virtual via Microsoft Teams

### ATTENDEES:

#### Members Present:

Dr. Krista Schonrock, Chair  
Dr. Larry Lehrner  
Rayleen Earney  
Beth Britton  
Katrina Russell

#### Members not Present:

All members were present

#### Others present:

Rory Fuller, DPBH CDPHP, Meeting Staff  
Amber Hise, CDPHP Section Manager.  
Michelle Harden, CDPHP  
Lori Taylor, CDPHP  
Alexis Hogan, CDPHP  
Darlene Douthitt, CDPHP  
Godwin Nwando, CDPHP

Taylor Moseley CDPHP  
Bryan Davis, CDPHP  
Tammera Brower, DPBH  
Anakaren Lamas, CDPHP  
Dillon Winkelman, CDPHP  
Imran William, CDPHP  
Troy Lovick, CDPHP

## **AGENDA ITEMS:**

### **1. Call To Order and Roll Call**

Rory Fuller called the roll and confirmed quorum; all five members were present.

### **2. Public Comment: First public comment period**

No public comments were made during this period.

### **3. For Possible Action: Discussion and possible action to approve the meeting minutes from October 9, 2025.**

Rayleen Earney motioned to approve October 9, 2025, minutes, seconded by Katrina Russell. Motion passed unanimously.

### **4. For Possible Action: Discussion and possible action to review any submitted letters of interest and/or applications to KDAC.**

The members began discussion regarding the Letter of Interest and Curriculum Vitae from Dr. Jared. Katrina Russell expressed support for Dr. Jared's appointment. Rayleen Earney and Sapphire Gray agreed; Michelle Harden (CDPH) confirmed no opposition. Motion was made by Katrina Russell to accept and appoint Dr. Jared to the committee; Motion was seconded by Rayleen Earney. Motion carried unanimously.

### **5. For Information Only: Status of Grant Applications.**

Michelle Harden discussed both applications have run into issues. MP-CPI-25-002 has closed as the anticipated opportunity package was not released. The NIDDK Diabetes Education Grant application package is unavailable along with concerns about meeting the deadline due to short turnaround and routing requirements.

Darlene Douthitt was invited to discuss grant-seeking efforts and linkages between diabetes and chronic kidney disease. Darlene Douthitt explained that one in three people with diabetes also has chronic kidney disease. Darlene Douthitt offered to help identify and research future grant opportunities as well as wanting to work with the committee on the next steps and agenda items related to grants.

The committee was encouraged to bring forward ideas for kidney disease prevention, research, and funding. Michelle Harden emphasized the committee's advisory role and expertise in guiding state efforts which include seeking non-CDC, private, clinical trial funding. Collaboration and expertise from members are welcome for identifying opportunities and setting agenda items.

Rayleen Earney and other committee members explored nontraditional or nonfederal grant avenues: Novo Nordisk Foundation: Health awareness campaigns, roundtables, and forums; Lions Foundation: Screening grants (noted their history with vision and foot screenings, and diabetes-related activities). Other pharmaceutical grants and educational support mentioned as potential opportunities. Additional opportunities such as CDM, Barkley Diabetes, and cardiovascular-health related grants. Michelle Harden offered committee support for research and narrative writing for

grant applications. Michelle Harden suggested collaborating with other state programs on food security, education, and preventive health services (e.g., 5210 website, HEALNV).

## **6. Public Comment: Second public comment period**

No public comment was made. Correction was noted for Rory Fuller's email address to [r.fuller@health.nv.gov](mailto:r.fuller@health.nv.gov). Michelle Harden ensured the corrected email was included in meeting minutes and the chat.

## **7. Adjournment:**

Katrina Russell motioned to adjourn, second by Rayleen Earney, motion passed unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 1:56 PM

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### **Next meeting:**

April 9, 2026

1:30 PM – Adjournment

Location: Virtual via teams

Quarterly meeting

Minutes prepared by Anais Infante using the following reference.

Robert, H. (2020). *Robert's rules of order: Newly revised (12th ed.)*. Da Capo Press.

Nevada Revised Statute. *Open Meeting Law (NRS 241)*.