

DHHS HOME & COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES STAKEHOLDER MEETING AGENDA

December 2, 2024
4:00 PM Central Time

Zoom:

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1) Division of Behavioral Health

- a) **Announcement of new Deputy Directors**
 - (1) Jesse McDevitt LIMHP, LADC
 - (2) Diana Meadors LIMHP, LADC
- b) **Coordinated Case Management coming for individuals with Serious Mental Illness**
- c) **Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs)**

2) Division of Child and Family Services

- a) No CFS Updates at this time

3) Office of Economic Assistance

- a) **Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)**
 - (1) A supplemental payment of \$143 was issued to households that received a heating payment in 2024 with an active LIHEAP case. Supplemental payments were issued in the middle of November.
 - (2) The 2025 Heating payments are being determined and issued to providers and households.
- b) **Refugee Resettlement Program (RRP)**
 - (1) RRP has posted a Request for Applications (RFA) for the Refugee Health Promotion grant.
 - (2) Refugee Health Promotion helps coordinate mental health care, providing mental health support groups, and other mental health initiatives for refugees.
 - (3) Applications are due by January 27, 2025.
 - (4) Additional information can be found here: <https://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Grant-Opportunities.aspx>.
- c) **Social Services for the Aged and Disabled (SSAD)**
 - (1) The individual chore provider rate will increase to \$15 per hour starting January 1, 2025.

4) Office of State Unit of Aging

- a) Updated Older Americans Act
 - (1) Administration for Community Living Regulations
 - (2) State Unit of Aging Updating Policies/Program Instructions
 - (3) Public Comment/Stakeholder Input Meeting
 - (a) December 16, 2024, 10:30-11:30am More information will be posted on the State Unit of Aging Website. <https://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Aging.aspx>

5) Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care

6) Liberty – Quality

- a) On-Site Provider Review Update

7) Division of Developmental Disabilities

- a) Elimination of the Waitlist Offer Updates
- b) Upcoming Stakeholder Engagement Opportunity-Policy Open Houses
- c) Aged and Disabled and Traumatic Brain Injury waivers moving service authorizations and claims into Therap
- d) Updates to the DD Provider Self-Assessment Tool

Next Meeting: January 6, 2025