

Nebraska State Board of Health

Public Meeting

AgendaMonday, January 26th, 2026, 1:00pmLower-Level Conference Room – Otoe
Nebraska State Office Building
301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, NE, 68509

This will be an in-person meeting at 1:00 PM, with an option to attend virtually. The public is welcome to attend any Open Session. Copies of the documents being considered by the Board members, and the Open Meetings Act are available online at the site: <https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Board-Meeting-Documents.aspx> There is a Webex option for attendance:

<https://sonvideo.webex.com/sonvideo/j.php?MTID=m63e860b9cf0713dfb1ae4a1a142322bb>

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Link to the Open Meetings Act:

https://nebraskalegislature.gov/laws/display_html.php?begin_section=84-1407&end_section=84-1414

Link to a copy of all the Open Session discussion items:

<https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Board-Meeting-Documents.aspx>

MEMBERS: Mark Betch, DPT; Jaime Dodge, MD; Staci Hubert, PharmD; Patricia Kucera, MSN, RN; Brett Lindau, DO (Secretary); Ryan Palmer, OD; Connie Lynn Petersen, PhD; David Reese, MHA (Chair); Jeremiah Rethwisch, DC; Jacob Sikes; Kimberly Stuhmer, RN, MT; Ken Tusha, DDS; Dan Vehle (Vice Chair); Jeffrey Wienke, Jr, DPM.

STAFF: Caryn Vincent, Maggie Mills, Emma Davis

Mission Statement: The Board of Health promotes and protects the health and safety of all people in Nebraska by providing expertise and advice on health issues, with input from health care providers and the public, to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services and others regarding:

- Regulatory and legislative issues
- Professional boards
- Educational health programs
- Public health assessment, policy development, and assurance
- Communication/coordination

1. Call to Order

- Roll Call & Declaration of Quorum
- Ⓢ Approval of January 26th, 2026, agenda and November 17th, 2025, meeting draft minutes

2. Reports and Updates

- Chief Medical Officer – Tim Tesmer, MD
- Public Health Director – Ashley Newmeyer
- State Epidemiologist – Sydney Stein, DVM, MPH
- Licensure Unit – Lindsy Braddock
- Board of Health Chairperson – Mr. Reese

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3. Credentialing Review Committee – Dr. Betch, Committee Chair

- Presentation of Credentialing Review Orientation
- Other Committee business

4. Rules and Regulations Committee – Dr. Dodge, Committee Chair

Proposed regulations: None

Current regulations: <https://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/DHHS-Regulations.aspx>

5. Annual Committee Report

6. Other Committee business

7. Professional Boards Committee – Dr. Hubert, Committee Chair

- Other Committee business

8. Public Health, Education, & Legislation Committee – Dr. Petersen, Committee Chair

- 2026 Legislative Bills
- Other Committee Business

9. **④ Approval of Committee Reports**

10. Public Comments

11. Unfinished Business

- **④ Approval of Rules and Regulations Annual Report**

12. New Business

13. Topics for Next Meeting

14. Next Steps and Adjournment

- Next regular meeting is Monday, March 16th, 2026, at the Nebraska State Office Building in Lincoln.
- Adjourn

Board Member Closed Committee Meeting for January 26th, 2026 – LL Goldenrod

*If quorum of nine members or more are in attendance, the committee meeting will be open.

- Professional Boards Committee – 9:00am – Dr. Hubert
- Rules and Regulations Committee – 9:30am – Dr. Dodge
- Credentialing Review Committee – 10:00am – Dr. Betch, Maggie Mills
- Public Health, Education, & Legislation Committee – 10:30am – Dr. Petersen

All items known at the time of distribution of this agenda are listed. A current agenda is available in the offices of Vital Records, 301 Centennial Mall South, 1st Floor, Lincoln, Nebraska.

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