

Nebraska State Board of Health

Public Meeting

Agenda

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THE BOARD

Monday, September 21st, 2026, 1:00pm

Lower-Level Conference Room – Goldenrod
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:

Join with meeting link: <https://sonvideo.webex.com/sonvideo/j.php?MTID=m2e85732bc35243334d12198d69447802>

Meeting number access code: 2483 760 0090

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MEMBERS: Mark Bertch, DPT; Jaime Dodge, MD; Staci Hubert, PharmD; Micah Kohles, DVM, MPA; Brett Lindau, DO (Secretary); Ryan Palmer, OD; Connie Lynn Petersen, PhD; Daniel Pierce, MD; 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, Emma Davis, Emma Soukup

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 September 21st, 2026, agenda
- ⊗ Approval of June 15th, 2026, meeting draft minutes

2. Reports and Updates

- Division of Public Health Director – Ashley Newmyer
- Chief Medical Officer – Tim Tesmer, MD
- Licensure Unit – Lindsay Braddock
- Board of Health Chairperson – Mr. Reese

3. Credentialing Review Committee – Dr. Bertch, Committee Chair, Emma Davis, DHHS Staff

- Updates on Upcoming Credentialing Reviews
 - i. Crematory Operators

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- ii. APRN – Certified Nurse Midwives
 - Other Committee Business
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4. Rules and Regulations Committee – Dr. Dodge, Committee Chair

Proposed regulations:

- ☉ Title 181 NAC 2 – Screening of Infants for Inherited and Congenital Infant or Childhood-On Set Diseases
- ☉ Title 181 NAC 10 – Screening of Newborns for Critical Congenital Heart Disease (CCHD)

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

- Other Committee business
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5. Professional Boards Committee – Dr. Hubert, Committee Chair

- ☉ Recommendations for Professional Board Appointments
 - Other Committee business
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6. Public Health, Education, & Legislation Committee – Dr. Petersen, Committee Chair

- Other Committee Business
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7. ☉ Approval of Committee Reports

8. Public Comments

9. Unfinished Business

10. New Business

11. Topics for Next Meeting

12. Next Steps and Adjournment

- Next regular meeting is Monday, November 16th, 2026, NSOB LL Goldenrod
 - Adjourn
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Board Member Closed Committee Meeting for September 21st, 2026 – LL Goldenrod

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

- Public Health, Education, & Legislation Committee – 9:00am – Dr. Petersen
 - Credentialing Review Committee – 9:15am – Dr. Bertch, Emma Davis
 - Rules and Regulations Committee – 9:45am – Dr. Dodge
 - Professional Boards Committee – 10:15am – Dr. Hubert
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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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