

# INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON VETERANS AFFAIRS (ICVA)

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Friday, 2-3-17 @ 10:00 a.m.

### Public locations are:

- Carson City – Governor’s Office of Economic Development’s Office Conference Room  
800 W. Nye Lane, Carson City, NV 89703
- Las Vegas – Governor’s Conference Room in the Grant Sawyer Building (5<sup>th</sup> Floor),  
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## AGENDA

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*At the discretion of the Chair, public comment is welcomed by the Panel, but will be limited to five minutes per person. A public comment time will be available at the beginning of the meeting and then once again prior to adjournment of the meeting. The Chair may allow additional time to be given a speaker as time allows and in his/her sole discretion. Once all items on the agenda are completed the meeting will adjourn.*

1. Call to Order, Roll Call of Members, and Establish Quorum
2. Public Comment

**Note:** *No vote may be taken upon a matter raised under public comment until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. (NRS 241.020)*

3. Review and Approval of 12-12-16 Minutes (For Possible Action)
4. Old Business
  - a. Update on the Service Members, Veterans and their Families (SMVF) Behavioral Health Sub-Committee and discussion on the recommendations and continuing the work of the Sub-committee. (For Possible Action)
  - b. Approval of report and recommendations regarding issues and concerns relating to veterans identified by the BH Sub-Committee. (For Possible Action)
    - i. Recommendation 1: Require state departments and agencies to submit all information regarding programs, events, and services relating to service members, veterans, and their families to Nevada VetNet.
    - ii. Recommendation 2: Encourage the ICVA to establish a Master Service Agreement between participating departments and agencies within the ICVA

- detailing roles and responsibilities for information sharing, programmatic collaboration as well as utilization of facilities for outreach and special events.
  - iii. Recommendation 3: Encourage the Nevada National Guard (NNG) to establish a data sharing agreement with the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) to allow DPBH to synthesis survey and any other pertinent data to conduct an analysis of suicide ideology among NNG service members.
  - iv. Recommendation 4: Require Nevada Department of Corrections to work with the U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs and Nevada Department of Veteran Services to develop additional veteran related questions for those inmates who identify themselves as veterans during the intake and outtake process to identify VA eligibility and care coordination during transition.
  - v. Recommendation 5: Support and promote military culture and veteran awareness training to medical providers and service providers to be eligible as continuing education unit credits by their respective licensing boards.
  - vi. Recommendation 6: Create a public service announcement to bring awareness of the needs of veterans, specifically, focusing on the resilience of veterans who may be suffering from mental health issues in the community.
  - vii. Recommendation 7: Promote and support training and education regarding the U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs' standards of care of veterans for public and private medical and community care providers.
  - viii. Recommendation 8: Explore peer-to-peer approaches to Service Members, Veterans and their Families.
- c. Update and Presentation on veterans issues identified regarding the state's veteran employees, veterans hiring preference and process by Doug Williams, Veteran Coordinator from the Division of Human Resource Management (DHRM).
- d. Approval of recommendations regarding issues and concerns identified by DHRM Veteran Coordinator. (For Possible Action)
- i. Recommendation 1: Create and establish a Veteran Networking Group to spur veteran recruitment, retention, and employee engagement.
  - ii. Recommendation 2: Improve the Veteran Preference Process: (Part 1 of 2) Improve veteran's access to state employment by improving interview rates for eligible veteran applicants.
  - iii. Recommendation 2 (Continued): Improve the Veteran Preference Process: (Part 2 of 2) Improve promotional opportunities for current State of Nevada veteran employees by revising the veteran preference process as outlined in NRS 284.260.
- e. Approval of the 2017 ICVA Annual Report to the Governor and Director of the Legislative Council Bureau. (For Possible Action)
- f. Update of veteran's related Legislative Items for the 79<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session.
- i. SB33 - Revises provisions relating to the foreclosure of property owned by military personnel on active duty – Office of the Governor

- ii. AB24 - Expands exemption from tuition charges for attending a campus of the Nevada System of Higher Education for certain members of the Armed Services of the United States and their families – Office of the Governor
- iii. SB70 - Revises provisions governing transfers of abandoned or unclaimed artifacts or other property with military value by the Director of the Department of Veterans Services – Office of the Governor
- iv. AB22 - Makes various changes relating to the Department of Veterans services – Nevada Department of Veterans Services
- v. AB19 - Revises the reporting requirements for data relating to veterans – Nevada Department of Veterans Services
- vi. SB58 - Revises provisions relating to the membership and eligibility requirements for various veterans organizations – Nevada Department of Veterans Services
- vii. AB2 - Revises provisions governing the Patriot Relief Account – Office of the Military
- viii. SB7 - Revises provisions governing the Nevada Code of Military Justice – Office of the Military

g. Discussion of possible ICVA master agreement between member agencies. (For Possible Action)

#### 5. New Business

- a. Updates on programs, projects, or initiatives made by Council Member's individual agencies.

#### 6. Council Member Comments

#### 7. Future Meeting Dates/Locations

#### 8. Public Comment

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#### 9. Adjournment

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