

Revised: September 23, 2019

**TENTATIVE AGENDA  
for the  
FIFTH MEETING  
of the  
LEGISLATIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**September 25, 2019  
Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine  
Room 152/153  
3501 Arrowhead Drive  
Las Cruces**

**September 26, 2019  
Las Cruces Convention Center  
Ballroom 2  
680 East University Avenue  
Las Cruces**

**September 27, 2019  
New Mexico State University  
Pan American Center  
Barbara Hubbard Room  
1810 East University Avenue  
Las Cruces**

**Wednesday, September 25 — Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine (BCOM)**

- 9:00 a.m.           **Call to Order**  
—Senator Gerald Ortiz y Pino, Chair, Legislative Health and Human Services Committee (LHHS)
- 9:15 a.m.       (1) **[Welcome and the BCOM Initiative](#)**  
—John Hummer, President, BCOM  
—Dr. Don Peska, Dean, BCOM
- 9:45 a.m.       (2) **[New Mexico Rural Health Plan](#)**  
—Timothy Lopez, Director, Office of Primary Care and Rural Health, Department of Health (DOH)  
—David Roddy, Health Policy Director and Chief Financial Officer, New Mexico Primary Care Association  
—Jerry N. Harrison, Ph.D., Executive Director, New Mexico Health Resources, Inc.  
—Representative Joanne J. Ferrary, Member, LHHS

- 11:15 a.m. (3) [Reimbursement Rates and the Survival of Rural Hospitals](#)  
—Russell Toal, Deputy Secretary, Human Services Department
- 12:45 p.m. **Lunch and Tour**
- 1:45 p.m. **Public Comment**
- 2:15 p.m. (4) [A Context for Rural Health Systems](#)  
—Charlie Alfero, Executive Director, Southwest Center for Health  
Innovation; Executive Director, New Mexico Primary Care Training  
Consortium
- 3:45 p.m. (5) [Senior Services in Rural New Mexico](#)  
—Katrina Hotrum-Lopez, Secretary-Designate, Aging and Long-Term  
Services Department (ALTSD)  
—Sam Ojinaga, Deputy Secretary, ALTSD  
—Dolores Gonzales, Policy and Planning Director, ALTSD

5:00 p.m. **Recess**

**Thursday, September 26 — Las Cruces Convention Center**

- 1:30 p.m. **Reconvene**  
—Senator Gerald Ortiz y Pino, Chair, LHHS
- 1:35 p.m. (6) [Overview of Assisted Outpatient Treatment](#)  
—Jamie Michael, Director, Health and Human Services Department, Dona  
Ana County  
—The Honorable Lisa C. Schultz, District Judge, Third Judicial District  
Court  
—Joe Tomaka, Ph.D., Professor, Department of Public Health, New Mexico  
State University (NMSU)
- 3:00 p.m. (7) [Building a Rural Health Care Workforce Pipeline](#)  
—Valerie Romero-Leggott, M.D., Vice Chancellor for Diversity, Office for  
Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, University of New Mexico (UNM)  
Health Sciences Center (HSC); Associate Dean, UNM School of  
Medicine; Professor, Department of Family and Community Medicine,  
Combined B.A./M.D. Degree Program, UNM  
—Robert Williams, M.D., Director, Rural and Urban Underserved Program,  
UNM School of Medicine  
—Michael Richards, M.D., M.P.A., Vice Chancellor for Clinical Affairs,  
UNM HSC  
—Abinash Achrekar, M.D., Deputy Secretary, DOH

4:30 p.m.           **Public Comment**

5:00 p.m.           **Recess**

**Friday, September 27 — NMSU Pan American Center**

9:00 a.m.           **Reconvene**  
—Senator Gerald Ortiz y Pino, Chair, LHHS

9:15 a.m.       (8) **Welcome and Introductions**  
—Dr. John D. Floros, President, NMSU  
—Karim Martinez, Ph.D., Extension Family Life and Child Development  
Specialist, College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental  
Sciences, NMSU  
—Alexa Doig, Ph.D., R.N., Director and Elisa E. and Antonio H. Enriquez  
Professor, School of Nursing, NMSU

10:30 a.m.       (9) **Rural Transportation Panel**  
—David Armijo, Executive Director, South Central Regional Transit  
District  
—Sharon Thomas, Retired Associate Professor, Michigan State University;  
Former City Councilor, Las Cruces  
—Michelle Del Rio, M.P.H., Graduate Student, Interdisciplinary Health  
Sciences Ph.D. Program, University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP);  
Project Manager, Center for Environmental Resource Management,  
UTEP

12:00 noon       **Lunch**

1:00 p.m.       **Public Comment**

1:30 p.m.       (10) **Rural and Border Health Solutions for the Effects of Federal  
Immigration Policies on Mental Health**  
—Lisa Cacari Stone, Ph.D., M.S., M.A., Associate Professor of Health  
Policy, College of Population Health, and Director, Transdisciplinary  
Research, Equity and Engagement Center, UNM

3:00 p.m.       **Adjourn**