



AGENDA
NORTHERN INYO HEALTHCARE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

October 16, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

Northern Inyo Healthcare District invites you to join this meeting:

TO CONNECT VIA ZOOM: (A link is also available on the NIHD Website)

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The Board meets in person at 2957 Birch Street Bishop, CA 93514. Members of the public will be allowed to attend in person or via Zoom. Public comments can be made in person or via Zoom.

Board Member David McCoy Barrett will attend from 61 Yorkville Ave, Toronto, ON MSR 3V6 Canada via Zoom.

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1. Call to Order at 5:30 p.m.
 2. Public Comment: The purpose of public comment is to allow members of the public to address the Board of Directors. Public comments shall be received at the beginning of the meeting and are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker, with a total time limit of thirty (30) minutes for all public comments unless otherwise modified by the Chair. Speaking time may not be granted and/or loaned to another individual for purposes of extending available speaking time unless arrangements have been made in advance for a large group of speakers to have a spokesperson speak on their behalf. Comments must be kept brief and non-repetitive. The general Public Comment portion of the meeting allows the public to address any item within the jurisdiction of the Board of Directors on matters not appearing on the agenda. Public comments on agenda items should be made at the time each item is considered.
 3. New Business:
 - a. COO/CNO Report – *(information item)*
 - b. Chief Executive Officer Report *(Board will receive this report)*

- i. Strategic Plan
- ii. CHRO and CFO updates
- iii. Update on conferences and public appearances
- iv. Lunch and learn training
- c. Chief Financial Officer Report
 - i. Financial & Statistical Reports (*Board will consider the approval of these reports*)
 - ii. Recruitment for new revenue cycle director
 - iii. Preparation for audit and cost update
- d. Chief of Staff Reports, Sierra Bourne MD
 - i. Medical Staff Appointments 2024-2025 (*action item*)
 - 1. Sharita Nagaraj, MD (general surgery) – Courtesy Staff
 - 2. William Pace, MD (interventional radiology) – Courtesy Staff
 - 3. Jonathan Hester, MD (breast imaging) – Courtesy Staff
 - 4. Thomas Powierza, MD (interventional radiology/neuroradiology) – Courtesy Staff
 - ii. Medical Staff Appointments 2024-2025 – Proxy Credentialing (*action item*)
 - 1. *As per the approved credentialing and privileging agreements, and as outlined by 42CFR 482.22, the Medical Staff has chosen to recommend the following practitioners for Telemedicine privileges relying upon the Distant-Site entity's credentialing and privileging decisions.*
 - 2. Jeremiah Bell, MD (neurology) – Telemedicine Staff (Sevaro)
 - 3. Mark Faltaous, MD (diagnostic radiology) – Telemedicine Staff (Direct Radiology)
 - 4. Rashmi Hande, MD (diagnostic radiology) – Telemedicine Staff (Direct Radiology)
 - 5. Noman Malik, MD (diagnostic radiology) – Telemedicine Staff (Direct Radiology)
 - iii. Medical Executive Committee Meeting Report (*information item*)

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4. Consent Agenda – *All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion unless any member of the Board wishes to remove an item for discussion.*

- a. Approval of minutes of the September 18, 2024 Regular Board Meeting
 - b. CEO Credit Card Statements
 - c. GASB 67 and 68 Disclosure – Northern Inyo County Local Hospital District Retirement Plan
 - d. Approval of Policies and Procedures
 - i. Avedd™ (testosterone undecanoate) Risk Evaluations and Mitigation Strategies (REMS) program
 - ii. Bloodborne Pathogen Exposure Control Plan
 - iii. Credentialing Healthcare Practitioners in the Event of a Disaster (*no changes made*)
 - iv. Discharge Instructions Emergency Department
 - v. Evaluation of Pregnant Patients in the Emergency Department
 - vi. Medical Staff Department Policy – Radiology
 - vii. Medical Staff Professional Conduct Policy (*no changes made*)
 - viii. Pediatric and Newborn Consultation Requirements (*no changes made*)
 - ix. Safely Surrendered Baby Policy and Procedure
 - x. Sublocade™ (Buprenorphine): Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategies (REMS) Program
 - xi. Utility Systems Electrical and Generator Failure
 - xii. Utility Systems Inventory
 - xiii. Utility Systems Pneumatic Tube Failure
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5. General Information from Board Members (*Board will provide this information*)
6. Public comments on closed session items
7. Adjournment to closed session to/for:
 - a. Public Employee Performance Evaluation pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1).
Title: CEO Evaluation
 - b. Conference with Legal Counsel – Communication from potential plaintiff threatening litigation GOV § 54956.9 (d)(2). John Brown v. Dr. Thomas K. Reid, MD, and Northern Inyo Healthcare District
8. Return to open session and report on any actions taken in closed session
9. Adjournment

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