

Iowa Council on Health and Human Services

Public Hearing and Meeting Agenda

August 28, 2025 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Hybrid meeting

Location:

Lucas Building
Ground Level – Assembly Rooms LG20 A & B
321 E. 12th Street,
Des Moines, IA 50319

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- 10:00 am** Call to Order - Council Chair Rebecca Peterson
- 10:05 am** Roll Call – Council Secretary, Laura Myers
- 10:10 am** Public Comment. [Members of the public who wish to make public comment may register to do so in advance of the start of the meeting by contacting Laura Myers at laura.myers@hhs.iowa.gov.](mailto:laura.myers@hhs.iowa.gov)
- 10:20 am** Public Hearing on Budget – Jess Benson, Chief Financial Officer; Kelly Garcia, HHS Director
- 10:30 am** Approval of Minutes from May 29, 2025, Meeting (vote)
- 10:40 am** Legal Overview on HHS Council Duties – Jancy Nielson, Legal Counsel
- 11:00 am** Weatherization Ad Hoc Committee – Christine Taylor, Weatherization Program Manager; Jancy Nielson, Legal Counsel (vote)
- 11:20 am** Legislative Implementation – Carrie Malone, Policy Director; Nick Crawford, Legislative Liaison; Sonya Streit, Legislative Liaison
- 11:40 am** Administrative Rules Overview – Victoria Daniels, Administrative Rules Coordinator
- 12:00 pm** Lunch Break (closed to outside participants)
- 12:30 pm** Medical Director’s Update - Cancer Project – Dr. Robert. Kruse, State Medical Director
- 12:50 pm** Public Health Reaccreditation Update – Ellen Maahs, Strategic Development Coordinator
- 1:05 pm** Behavioral Risk Factors Surveillance System – Emily Tokheim, BRFSS and Iowa Youth Survey Coordinator
- 1:20 pm** Director’s Update - Director Kelly Garcia
- 1:40 pm** Council Discussion
HHS Council Ad Hoc Committees - Update
Behavioral Health District Assignments (vote)
- 2:00 pm** Adjourn