

**MINUTES**  
**SUBSTANCE ABUSE/PROBLEM GAMBLING PROGRAM LICENSURE COMMITTEE**  
**June 8, 2022 – 9:00 A.M.**  
**TELECONFERENCE**

*This electronic meeting of the Substance Abuse/Problem Gambling Program Licensure Committee was held in accordance with Iowa Code section 21.8 entitled "Electronic Meetings." The Code states that a governmental body may conduct a meeting by electronic means only if circumstances are such that a meeting in person is impossible or impractical and access is provided to the public. An in-person meeting of the Committee to handle this limited agenda was impractical due to the schedules of the Committee members and the resources of the Department. This electronic meeting originated in the Director's Conference Room, 6<sup>th</sup> floor, Lucas State Office Building, 321 E. 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Des Moines and public access to the meeting was provided at this location. Notices and agendas were posted in the building and posted on the Department's web site.*

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mr. Wolnerman called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Ms. McCurley conducted roll call.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Members Present:**

Michael Wolnerman, via phone  
Sandra McGrath, via phone

**Department Representatives:**

Heather Adams, AG, via phone  
Lori Hancock-Muck, IDPH  
Eric Preuss, IDPH  
Amanda McCurley, IDPH

**I. Agenda/Minutes**

Ms. Hancock-Muck proposed a correction to the minutes and noted the incorrect license dates were given for St. Gregory Recovery Center's license renewal and stated St. Gregory Recovery Center's license dates should be June 20, 2021 to June 20, 2023. Motion made by Ms. McGrath and seconded by Mr. Wolnerman to approve the May 11, 2022 minutes with corrections. Motion carried unanimously.

**II. Substance Use Disorder/Problem Gambling Licensure**

**A. Licensure Recommendations**

**1) One (1) Year License:**

- a. Motion made by Ms. McGrath and seconded by Mr. Wolnerman to approve a license for a period of one (1) year to the following program: **Employee & Family Resources, Inc., Des Moines, Iowa**, license effective **March 31, 2022 to March 31, 2023**.

Staff report by Lori Hancock-Muck. The licensed program was represented by Tammy Hoyman and Chelsey Johnk. The licensed program made remarks. Motion carried unanimously.

**2) Two (2) Year License:**

- a. Motion made by Ms. McGrath and seconded by Mr. Wolnerman to approve a license for a period of two (2) years to the following programs: **Champion State of Mind, PLLC, Estherville, Iowa**, license effective **February 7, 2022 to February 7, 2024** and **Sky Ranch Behavioral Services, Sioux City, Iowa**, license effective **February 6, 2022 to February 6, 2024**.

Staff report by Lori Hancock-Muck. The licensed programs were represented by Anna Bertrand and Mitch Kulawik from Sky Ranch Behavioral Services and Amanda Olson from Champion State of Mind, PLLC. The licensed programs made remarks. Motion carried unanimously

**3) Deemed Status:**

- a. Motion made by Ms. McGrath and seconded by Mr. Wolnerman to approve a license through deemed status to **YSS, Ames, Iowa**, based on the accreditation survey conducted and accreditation awarded by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities, license effective **December 31, 2021 to December 31, 2024**.
- b. Motion made by Ms. McGrath and seconded by Mr. Wolnerman to approve a license through deemed status to **Unity Point Health St. Luke's Chemical Dependency Services, Cedar Rapids, Iowa**, based on the accreditation survey conducted and accreditation awarded by The Joint Commission, license effective **September 26, 2021 to September 26, 2024**.
- c. Motion made by Ms. McGrath and seconded by Mr. Wolnerman to approve a license through deemed status to **New Opportunities, Inc., Carroll, Iowa**, based on the accreditation survey conducted and accreditation awarded by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities, license effective **March 31, 2022 to March 31, 2025**.

Staff report by Lori Hancock-Muck. The licensed program was represented by Jill Hill and Katie Ranney from YSS and Chad Jensen and Christy Jenkins from New Opportunities, Inc. The licensed programs made remarks. Motions carried unanimously.

**III. Your Life Iowa Overview – Eric Preuss**

Mr. Preuss discussed Your Life Iowa ([www.yourlifeiowa.org](http://www.yourlifeiowa.org)). Your Life Iowa is where Iowans can turn to when facing a problem with substance use, gambling, mental health, suicide and more. Your Life Iowa provides the trusted information, resources and support people need to get their lives back on track, and is available 24/7 through phone, chat, and text. Mr. Preuss shared Your Life Iowa is working on media campaigns to inform Iowans there is help always available. Mr. Preuss discussed the recent increase suicides in Iowan youth and shared Youth Suicide Prevention PSAs that will be played on TV, Radio, Online, Social Media (Facebook and TikTok) and in print. Mr. Preuss discussed the media campaign materials are available for all to use on the Your Life Iowa website: [www.yourlifeiowa.org](http://www.yourlifeiowa.org).

**V. Adjournment**

**Next Meeting**

The Committee will meet on Wednesday, July 13, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. via conference call.

Motion made by Ms. McGrath to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Wolnerman. Mr. Wolnerman adjourned the meeting at 9:49 am.