



Meeting Activities  
May 1, 2017  
Legislative & Public Policy (L&PP) Committee

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11:30 AM	Welcome, Introductions and What We Need to Accomplish Today	Ed George
11:35 AM	Personal Passions	All
11:40 AM	Minutes Approval	All
11:50 AM	Updates on HB17-1210, 1211 (both P.I.ed) 1276 scheduled for Senate State Veterans & Military Affairs May 3rd at 1:30 (3 <sup>rd</sup> up) SRC 357	Bob Lawhead
12:00 noon	Update on HR 620, ADA Education & Reform Act Review bill summary/action alert draft & feedback	Bob & All
12:10 PM	Action alert of 4.28.17 / strategy – discussion	Bob & All
12:20 PM	CMS Final Setting Rule feedback to HCPF	Bob
12:20 PM	HCBS Waiver Redesign Rates Subcommittee	Bob
12:30 PM	Summer schedule for the Committee	All
12:40 PM	Input, feedback, discussion items from the Committee	All
1:30 PM	Adjournment	Ed

**NOTE: NEXT MEETING Monday, June 5, 2017**

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## DISCUSSION:

1. The meeting was convened at 11:43 AM by Bob Lawhead, who requested permission to act as Chair in Ed George's absence.
2. Personal Passions:
  - Anuska Ullal wants to be more involved to make an impact for her brother.
  - Mike Hoover wants to help children in this state learn to be safe and learn their way.
  - Bob Lawhead's son, Jess, just completed school. He is working with different offices about Jess' transition from school to employment and inclusion. He reported being disappointed that the school district doesn't have higher expectations for his son and his ability to be successfully employed.
  - Donna Downing made the point that communication accommodations are key. If Mike can't type, he can't have conversations and explain what he needs.
3. Meeting minutes for April 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> were not approved due to lack of a quorum.
4. While HB17-1210 and 1211 were both postponed indefinitely (P.I.ed or "killed"), HB 17-1276 Restrict Restraints on Public School Children will be heard on Wednesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at the Senate State Veterans & Military Affairs May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1:30 (3<sup>rd</sup> up) SRC 357. The Committee noted that the inclusion of a parental complaint process within 1276 was important.
5. Bob Lawhead presented the current status of ADA Education and Reform Act of 2017 (H.R. 620). He suggested the Council should oppose this proposal on grounds that it fails to enforce ADA accessibility without a legal complaint requirement (that is seen as being a significant barrier to the complainant and extensive delay. The bill proposes delays of 60 day notification and 120 days for response or remedy of identified ADA violations.
6. Discussion of the Council's action alert strategy was discussed. It was noted that Marcia and Bob decided to build in a feedback mechanism into the April 28<sup>th</sup> action alert, requesting that recipients confirm that they had taken action. Thus far approximately six have replied back. An example of an exchange between one recipient and Bob was used as an example of how respectful dialogue and non-partisan discussion could bring consensus between parties.
7. The Council's recent submission of feedback to the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF) on their transition plan for Colorado's implementation of the Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Final Setting Rule was briefly discussed. The two primary intentions of this are to implement services characterized by choice/empowerment and by the most integrated setting.
8. Bob Lawhead presented update on HCBS waiver redesign and his commitment to become more involved with the process going forward. **Claire Dickson** added clarification that the focus of the Waiver Implementation Council is on combining HCBS-SLS with HCBS-DD Medicaid waiver programs. Concern was expressed that service rationing may occur as there is an assumption that no additional funding will be available. Those people being served by the higher resourced HCBS-DD (AKA "comprehensive") program may reasonably expect a reduction in service funding.
9. The Committee discussed options for committee meetings over the summer when the General Assembly is not in session. It was felt that monthly meetings on the first Monday of each month made sense. The potential to meet from 11:00 to 1:00, as opposed to the current 11:30 to 1:30 schedule, was

considered. Seth committed to contact Committee members to assure the new schedule works for them.

10. The meeting was adjourned 12:57 PM by Bob Lawhead.

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ACTION ITEMS:

Bob Lawhead will keep Committee members updated on current status of legislation and expected issues to surround these pieces of legislation as they work through Committee.

Seth Downs will contact Committee members to verify non-session Committee meeting scheduling.

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Present: Anuska Ullal, Claire Dickson(phone)

Staff: Bob Lawhead, Susan Fager, Seth Downs

Absent: Shannon Secrest, Sarah Metsch, Barbara Ramsey, Ed George, Hal Wright, Lisa Franklin (GTM), Jessica Howard (phone)

Guests: Donna Downing, Mike Hoover