

# State of Nevada Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensing Board

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

# **Advisory Committee on Fitting and Dispensing Hearing Aids**

# Wednesday, April 10, 2024 ~ 4:30pm

Location: Board Office ~ 6170 Mae Anne Avenue, Suite 1, Reno, Nevada 89523

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### **AGENDA**

The ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON FITTING AND DISPENSING HEARING AIDS of the NEVADA SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY, AUDIOLOGY AND HEARING AID DISPENSING BOARD may: (a) address agenda items out of sequence (b) combine agenda items or (c) pull or remove items from the agenda at any time. The Board may convene in closed session to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person. (NRS 241.020, NRS 241.030).

Action by the Committee on any item may be to approve, deny, amend, or table.

- 1. Call to Order, Confirmation of Quorum
- 2. Public Comment

No vote may be taken upon a matter raised during a period devoted to public comment until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. (NRS 241.020)

3. Approval of the Minutes: Advisory Committee on Fitting and Dispensing Hearing Aids of January 16, 2024 with Clarification on Recommendations Made for Revisions to NRS 637B and NAC 637B Regarding HAS License Requirements (for possible action)

- 4. Review and Review and Recommendation to the Board on Revisions to NRS 637B Related to Board Action to Pursue Repeal of NRS 637B.205 Requiring Dispensing Examinations and License Endorsement for an Audiologist to Fit and Dispense Hearing Aids (for possible action)
  - a. NRS 637B.050 "Practice of audiology" defined. (for possible action)
  - b. NRS 637B.075 Sponsor" defined. (for possible action)
  - c. NRS 637B.100 Creation; number, appointment and qualifications of members; terms; vacancies.
  - d. NRS 637B.175 Fees. (for possible action)
  - e. NRS 637B.191 Regulations concerning examinations for, period of validity of, renewal and reinstatement of licenses; placement of license on inactive status. (for possible action)
  - f. NRS 637B.236 Apprentices: Supervision of and responsibility for work; selection of hearing aid; signing of audiogram or sales document. *(for possible action)*
  - g. NRS 637B.242 Sale of hearing aids by catalog, mail or Internet: Conditions; records; regulations. (for possible action)
  - h. NRS 637B.243 Audiograms for use of physician or member of related profession. (for possible action)
- 5. Review and Recommendation to the Board on Revisions to NRS 637B Definitions, and NRS 637B.055 "Practice of fitting and dispensing hearing aids defined" to Include "Ordering the Use of" Language, Cerumen Management, and Tinnitus Care (for possible action)
  - a. NRS 637B.044 "Hearing aid" defined and NRS 637B.NEW "Over-the-counter hearing aid" defined. (for possible action)
  - b. NRS 637B.055 "Practice of fitting and dispensing hearing aids" defined. (for possible action)
    - 1) "Ordering the Use of" Added to "fitting and dispensing hearing aids" (for possible action)
    - 2) Cerumen Management & Definition (for possible action)
    - 3) Tinnitus Care & Definition (for possible action)
- 6. Review and Recommendation to the Board on Possible Revisions to Examination Requirements in NRS 637B and NAC 637B for HAS License to Engage in the Practice of Fitting and Dispensing Hearing Aids (for possible action)
- 7. Reports from Committee Chair and Members
  - a. Report from Committee Chair and Board Members (for possible action)
  - b. Next Meeting (proposed): Wednesday, July 10, 2024 at 4:30pm (for possible action)
  - c. Future Agenda Items (for possible action)
- 8. Public Comment

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9. Adjournment

*(for possible action)* 

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment is welcomed by the Committee. Public comment will be limited to five minutes per person and comments based on viewpoint will not be restricted. A public comment time will be available prior to action items on the agenda and on any matter not specifically included on the agenda as the last item on the agenda. At the discretion of the Committee Chair, additional public comment may be heard when that item is reached. The Committee Chair may allow additional time to be given a speaker as time allows and in their sole discretion. (NRS 241.020, NRS 241.030)

Prior to the commencement and conclusion of a contested case or a quasi-judicial proceeding that may affect the due process rights of an individual, the Board may refuse to consider public comment. (NRS 233B.126).

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