



County of Los Alamos
BCC Meeting Minutes
Los Alamos County Health Council

1000 Central Avenue
Los Alamos, NM 87544

*Lori Padilla, Chair; , Abbie Nelson, Vice-Chair; Jenn Bartram; Jyl Dehaven; Lisa Hampton;
Leticia Luketich-Martinez; Gisel Martinez; Morrie Pongratz; Lindsay Smith; Celeste Raffin;
and Joyce Richins, Members*

Thursday, August 1, 2024

12:00 PM

Hybrid: Municipal Building, Room 110 &
Zoom

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<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84228000435>

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm.

Present 11 - Councilor Pongratz, Councilor Padilla, Councilor Nelson, Councilor Martinez, Councilor Bartram, Councilor Richins, Councilor Strong, Councilor Hampton, Councilor Smith, Councilor Dehaven, and Councilor Luketich-Martinez

Absent 1 - Councilor Raffin

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

Members and attendees introduced themselves.

III. BOARDS/STAFF/MEMBERS COMMUNICATION

18999-24

Approval of Minutes from the Los Alamos County Health Council Meeting on June 6, 2024.

Presenters: Lori Padilla

The motion to approve the Minutes for the June 6, 2024 meeting was made by Morrie Pongratz, and seconded by Jenn Bartram. All were in favor, none opposed.

19000-24

Chairman's Report

Presenters: Lori Padilla

Chair Padilla provided an update on the following:

- Vaccinations and Covid19 Testing.
- Locker505 event in Espanola on August 9, 2024.

19003-24

Staff Report

Presenters: Jessica Strong

Jessica Strong, Social Services Division Manager, provided the following updates:

- Narcan distribution at outreach events: ChamberFest #12, ScienceFest #60.
- The Paradise Paradox Movie hosted by SALA in June 2024.
- Upcoming Recovery Event in September at SALA.
- Budget Overview. Detailed budget presentation will be provided at the September 2024 LACHC meeting.
- Los Alamos County (Social Services Division) website updates.
- Social Services Division staff is assisting Self Help with updates to their Mental Health website.
- Comprehensive Health Plan and Survey updates.
- Monthly Health Council Article.

IV. OLD BUSINESS/COMMENTS/CONCERNS

- Counselor Hampton reported on upcoming Older Adult Summit.
- Counselor Richins discussed Covid19 summer surge and LACHC members possibly providing free Covid19 tests to the community.
- Counselor Nelson provided information on upcoming Special Needs/Autism Support Group, held every Tuesday. Hosted by Las Cumbres Community Services.

V. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Nothing to report at this time.

VI. NEW QUESTIONS/COMMENTS/CONCERS/PRESENTATIONS

[19016-24](#)

Presentation from Liz Martineau, Los Alamos Community Foundation

Liz Martineau from Los Alamos Community Foundation shared what the foundation does and discussed recently awarded grants and plans for use of the funds.

VII. PREVIEW OF NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be held on September 5, 2024.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 1:27 pm.

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