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Adult Mental Health State Program Standing Committee Draft Agenda

[Microsoft Teams Meeting](#)

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12:30 - 12:45

SPSC Business○ *Introductions & Review Agenda*○ *Statement on public comment participation*

The Adult State Program Standing Committee has voting members, staff attendees from the Department of Mental Health, and members of the public. *Members of the public* are welcome to ask questions or join discussion throughout the meeting. Priority in discussion and questions will be given to *voting members*. Space will be reserved at the end of each meeting for comments from the public.

○ *Announcements*○ *Debrief supplemental discussion on Suicide Prevention on April 25*○ *Vote on April Minutes*

1:00 - 1:30

Presentation: Psychiatric Advanced Directives○ *Jack McCullough, Vermont Legal Aid Mental Health Law Project Director*

1:30 - 1:40

BREAK (as needed)

1:40 - 2:10

Introducing: DMH Mobile Crisis Director○ *Jeremy Therrien*

2:10 - 2:40

Review: CSAC Designation Materials○ *Draft agency-specific questions and kudos*

2:40 - 3:00

Closing Meeting Business○ *Public Comment*○ *Draft: June Agenda*

June Draft Agenda

- 12:30 - 12:45 **SPSC Business:** *Introductions & Review agenda, Statement on public comment participation, Announcements, Vote on previous meeting minutes*
- 12:45 - 1:00 **Meet New DMH Deputy Commissioner:** *Raise ASPSC priorities for FY26 budget*
- 1:30 - 2:45 **Designation Q&A: Counseling Service of Addison County**
- 2:45 - 3:00 **Closing Business**

AMH SPSC Top Five Priorities for 2024

1. Expand access to affordable housing 
2. Increase suicide prevention efforts while respecting the voice of the individual 
3. Increase Designated Agency employment of individuals with lived experience (i.e., peers) including intentional peer support and peer support counselors 
4. Increase availability of respites run by individuals with lived experience (e.g., Alyssum) 
5. Reduce the use of Emergency Departments as Mental Health parking lots. 

Meeting Norms/Expectations

- Speak kindness
- Listen to understand
- Assume positive intentions
- Be accountable
- ELMO! (Enough Let's Move On)
- Take space, leave space
- Mind the empty chair

Potential Agenda Items to Align with CYFS Committee:

- March: Agency Designation Q&A with UCS
- June: Agency Designation Q&A with CSAC
- Sept: Agency Designation Q&A with Pathways
(does not meet with Children's Committee)

Current Facilitators:

- Dan (April 2024)
Ann (Mar 2024)
Christopher (Feb 2024)
Ann (Jan 2024)
Ann (Dec 2023)
Michael (Nov 2023)
Dan (Oct 2023)

Previous Facilitators:

- Christopher (Sep 2023)
Lauren (Aug 2023)
Christopher (Jul 2023)
Ann (Jun 2023)
Lynne (May 2023)
Christopher (Apr 2023)
Eva (Mar 2023)
Zack (Feb 2023)
Marla (Jan 2023)
Zack (Dec 2022)
Marla (Nov 2022)