



# Commission on Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Suicide Prevention Subcommittee

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## Minutes of the Meeting

August 22, 2023

2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. EST

## 2:00 P.M. – Call to Order and Welcome Commissioner Clara Reynolds, Chair

### Roll Call – quorum established

#### Attendance Summary

Commissioner Dr. Jay Reeve  
Commissioner Clara Reynolds  
Commissioner Wes Evans  
Commissioner Sheriff Prummell  
Alexandra Martinez  
Kenneth Gibson  
Nancy Dauphinais  
Anna Sever  
Gayle Giese  
Trinity Schwab

Thank you to all meeting guests joining us today!

Meeting guest name and affiliations are detailed per the record in the meeting's chat feature:

- Nikki Wotherspoon, DCF SAMH
- Laura Carson, Sarasota DOH Health and Human Services, BH System Coordinator
- Micaela McBride: doctoral student Jacksonville University
- Patrick Heidemann, Disability Rights Florida
- Ute Gazioch, Florida Behavioral Health Association
- Javy Passalacqua, Department of Children and Families

## 1. Introductions/ Review Meeting Minutes

June and July's meeting minutes were reviewed. A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Wes Evans, seconded unanimously.



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## 2. Remarks from Dr. Jay Reeve, Commission Chair

- Chair Reeve discussed logistics surrounding the forthcoming template for the upcoming legislatively mandated report, due to the legislature in early 2024.
- The recommendations put forth by this subcommittee were reviewed during August's full Commission meeting in Orlando.
  - Commissioner Reynolds will populate the report template on behalf of the subcommittee with the previously reviewed recommendations and send to DCF personnel by September 15th.
  - Additional recommendations brought forth from the subcommittee will be discussed further in future meetings and explored for inclusion in subsequent Commission reports.

## 3. Discussion/Updates from Sheila Smith, Ali Martinez, Nancy Dauphinais, Ken Gibson

- Each subject-matter expert reported back on their findings for the "floor" recommendations. Each of these drafted documents can be viewed at <https://www.myflfamilies.com/services/samh/commission-on-mental-health-and-substance-abuse-subcommittee-meetings>

## 4. Public Comment

No replies.

## 5. Closing Remarks

Meet adjourned 3:59 pm EST

Next subcommittee meeting: **Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023 2-4pm EST**

Save the date! October through December subcommittee meetings:

- Tuesday, October 31st, 2023, 2-4pm EST
- Tuesday, November 28th, 2023, 2-4pm EST
- Tuesday, December 19th, 2023 2-4pm EST

To access additional meeting information, including the meeting's link, visit:

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