



# Commission on Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder

## Meeting Minutes

July 23, 2025

9:00 am – 11:00 am

Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

### Members

Jay Reeve, PhD  
Chairperson

Representative Christine  
Hunschofsky, Co-Chair  
Speaker of the House Appointee

Senator Darryl Rouson  
President of the Senate Appointee

Clara Reynolds, LCSW, MBA  
Governor Appointee

Ann Berner  
Speaker of the House Appointee

Sheriff William Prummell  
Governor Appointee

Kathleen Moore, PhD  
President of the Senate Appointee

Kelly Gray-Eurom, MD  
Governor Appointee

Larry Rein  
Governor Appointee

Judge Mark Mahon  
Governor Appointee

Melissa Larkin-Skinner  
Speaker of the House Appointee

Lee Fox  
President of the Senate Appointee

Secretary Taylor Hatch  
Department of Children and  
Families

Secretary Shevaun L. Harris  
Agency for Health Care  
Administration

Richard Duggan  
President of the Senate

Richard Weisberg, CRPS  
President of the Senate  
Appointee

### Welcome/Call to Order:

Jay Reeve, Commission Chair, opened the Commission on Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder (Commission) meeting. Chair Reeve requested that DCF Staff Liaison Amanda Regis take roll.

### The following members or designees were in attendance:

Jay Reeve, PhD, Chairperson (Governor Appointee: Apalachee Center)  
Representative Christine Hunschofsky (Speaker of the House Appointee)  
Senator Darryl Rouson (President of the Senate Appointee)  
Ann Berner (Speaker of the House Appointee: Southeast Florida Behavioral Health Network, Inc.)  
Sheriff William Prummell (Governor Appointee: Charlotte County Sheriff's Office)  
Kathleen Moore, PhD (President of the Senate Appointee: University of South Florida)  
Larry Rein (Governor Appointee: ChildNet)  
Chief Judge Mark Mahon (Governor Appointee: Fourth Circuit Court)  
Melissa Larkin-Skinner (Speaker of the House Appointee: Community Assisted & Supported Living, Inc.)  
Lee Fox (President of the Senate Appointee: All Points North)  
Taylor Hatch (Secretary, Department of Children and Families)  
Brian Meyer for Shevaun Harris (Secretary, Agency for Health Care Administration)  
Richard Duggan (President of the Senate Appointee: Collier County Public Schools)  
Richard Weisberg, CRPS (President of the Senate Appointee: Weisberg Wealth Management)

### Review and Approval of the May 21, 2025 Meeting Minutes:

A motion was entered to approve the May 21, 2025 minutes. The motion was carried. The minutes were approved with no opposition.

### Opening Remarks-Legislative and Commission Updates:

Chair Reeve provided opening remarks. The "Commission Bill" sponsored by Senator Rouson and Representative Hunschofsky made it through this Legislative session and has now been signed into law by Governor DeSantis. The Tristan Murphy Act which was highly influenced by Commissioner Sheriff Prummell has also been signed into law. The next full Commission meeting will be an in-person meeting held during the Florida Children and Families Summit in Orlando on September 2, 2025 at 9:00am.

### Subcommittee Report Outs:

- Data Analysis: Subcommittee Chair Moore welcomed Subject Matter Expert (SME) Heather Flynn to provide a brief update. SME Flynn informed the Commission that section nine and ten of the Tristan Murphy Act (Senate Bill 168) creates the Florida Behavioral Health Data Repository. These sections outline the creation of the repository and directs the Northwest Florida Regional Data Center to work in conjunction with the data subcommittee to develop a plan for implementation, governance, security, and various other components. A governance plan will be



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developed by December 1, 2025. Subcommittee Chair Moore added the importance of having other state agencies (Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ), Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA), the Department of Corrections (DOC) and others) at the table for the subcommittee's next meeting on August 13, 2025.

- **Dual Diagnosis and Treatment:** Subcommittee Chair Representative Hunschofsky informed the Commission that the Dual Diagnosis Treatment subcommittee recently reviewed all previous presentations. The presentations were reviewed to identify areas of need and to identify areas in which expansion or replication of services would be beneficial.
- **Strategy and Planning:** Amanda Regis provided the update for the Strategy and Planning subcommittee. The Strategy and Planning subcommittee has prioritized having meaningful conversations with state agency partners to obtain a clear understanding of strengths and opportunities across the system. Representatives from AHCA, the Department of Education (DOE) and the DJJ presented information to the subcommittee during the June 25<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- **Funding:** Subcommittee Chair Senator Rouson provided the update for the Funding subcommittee. The previous meeting of the Funding subcommittee focused on behavioral health services within Florida Medicaid. AHCA representatives shared information on the assessment of liquidated damages, outpatient and inpatient services, local provider participation funds and how members qualify for the serious mental illness specialty product under Florida's new statewide Medicaid managed care contracts.

### **Public Comment:**

There were no public comments.

### **Closing Remarks:**

Commissioner Senator Rouson highlighted that Senate Bill 1620 did not contain all the recommendations from the Commission and suggested an agenda item for the in-person meeting to address how to move forward with those recommendations. Chair Reeve supports the idea and asks Commissioners to send suggestions for how to address the remaining recommendations to Aaron Platt.

Additional closing remarks were provided by Secretary Hatch, Commissioner Larkin-Skinner and Commissioner Representative Hunschofsky.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:45am.