



Commission on Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder

Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2026
9:00 am – 11:30 am

Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Members

Jay Reeve, PhD
Chairperson

Representative Christine
Hunshofsky, 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 Aaron Platt take roll.

The following members or designees were in attendance:

Jay Reeve, PhD, Chairperson (Governor Appointee: Apalachee Center)

Clara Reynolds (Governor Appointee: Crisis Center of Tampa Bay)

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)

Judge Mark Mahon (Governor Appointee: Fourth Circuit Court)

Melissa Larkin-Skinner (Speaker of the House Appointee: Community Assisted & Supported Living, Inc.)

Amanda VanLaningham for 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 November 14, 2025 Meeting Minutes

A motion was entered to approve the November 14, 2025 minutes. The motion was carried. The minutes were approved with no opposition.

Commission Update

Commission Chair Jay Reeve began the update by informing commissioners of the April 9th in-person Commission meeting to be held in Tallahassee at the Florida Capital in the Senate Office Building, Room #110. A final vote on subcommittee recommendations will occur during the meeting. There will be another virtual meeting held in June or July to review the final report, which is due to the Legislature on September 1, 2026.

Agency for Health Care Administration – School-Based Services

The Deputy Secretary for Medicaid, Brian Meyer presented an update to the Commission on the Agency for Health Care Administration's Medicaid School-Based Services redesign. Mr. Meyer provided an overview of the school-based services program, reviewed program updates and discussed future objectives.

The redesign is intended to improve access to healthcare for Florida's students by modernizing how school-based services are delivered and reimbursed.



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Review of Prior Commission Report Recommendations

Commission Chair Reeve provided a broad overview of how some of the Commission's fifty-two recommendations may affect changes or expansions of different initiatives within the mental health and substance abuse treatment system in the State of Florida.

Commissioner Rein requested an update on the implementation status for all recommendations that have been codified in Statute.

Commissioner Berner noted interest in a potential review of any outstanding statutory obligations of the Commission.

Subcommittee Report Outs

Strategy and Planning Subcommittee

Commissioner Reynolds provided a brief update, informing the Commission that the subcommittee has advanced a recommendation to create a small group of high-level administrators (public and private) to potentially continue the work of the Commission.

Commissioners Berner and Rein suggest incorporating the Regional Collaboratives into the actual wording related to the small group of high-level administrators recommendation to enshrine the small group being informed by the work of the collaboratives.

Dual Diagnosis Treatment Subcommittee

Commissioner Larkin-Skinner reviewed final draft recommendations that emerged from the Dual Diagnosis Treatment subcommittee. The subcommittee will propose five recommendations to the commission for consideration. The recommendations support evidenced-based practices, supportive housing, behavioral health system access and residential services.

Data Analysis Subcommittee

Commissioner Moore discussed the Legislative report/implementation plan for the Behavioral Health Data Repository that was due to the Legislature on December 1, 2025. The Behavioral Health Repository Project Manager was hired in November 2025 and meetings with state agency partners have begun to inform them of the phased approach for implementation and Legislative funding. Subject Matter Expert Dr. Heather Flynn provided additional information on the timeline for implementation, the governance plan, and tasks moving forward.

Funding Subcommittee Report Out

Chair Reeve provided a brief update for the Funding subcommittee, informing Commissioners that the subcommittee is continuing the work of analyzing funding mechanisms for the publicly funded behavioral health care system in the State of Florida.



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Public Comment

There were no public comments.

Closing Remarks

Commission Chair Jay Reeve provided closing remarks.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:20am.