

**AGENDA**  
**Senate Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor**  
**House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor**  
**Meeting Jointly**

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**Monday, November 1, 2021**

**1:00 PM**

**Room A, MAC**  
**Little Rock, Arkansas**

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Sen. Cecile Bledsoe, Chair  
Sen. Scott Flippo, Vice-Chair  
Sen. Bart Hester  
Sen. David Wallace  
Sen. Breanne Davis  
Sen. Kim Hammer  
Sen. Dan Sullivan  
Sen. Ben Gilmore

Rep. Jack Ladyman, Chair  
Rep. Deborah Ferguson, Vice-Chair  
Rep. Jeff Wardlaw  
Rep. Jon S. Eubanks  
Rep. Stephen Magie  
Rep. Jim Dotson  
Rep. Josh Miller  
Rep. John Payton  
Rep. Mary Bentley  
Rep. Michelle Gray

Rep. Justin Gonzales  
Rep. Justin Boyd  
Rep. Fred Allen  
Rep. Bruce Coleman  
Rep. Aaron Pilkington  
Rep. Carlton Wing  
Rep. Clint Penzo  
Rep. Mark Perry  
Rep. Marsh Davis  
Rep. Joe Cloud

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- A. Call to Order
- B. Comments by the Chairs
- C. Consideration to Approve the September 7, 2021, Meeting Minutes (**Exhibit C**)
- D. Review President Biden's Executive Order 14043 Regarding Requiring Covid-19 Vaccination for Federal Employees, as referred by the Joint Budget Committee pursuant to Act 608 of 2021. (**Exhibit D**)
  - Jill Thayer, Legal Counsel to the Director, Bureau of Legislative Research
- E. Discussion of the U. S. Supreme Court's Decision in the Pharmaceutical Care Management Association Case of December 10, 2020
  - 1. Brad Nye, Legislative Director, Arkansas Attorney General's Office
  - 2. Shannon Halijan, Deputy Attorney General, Public Protection Division
- F. COVID-19 Guidance about Monoclonal Antibodies-Arkansas Department of Health
  - 1. Greg Brown, NRP, Director of the Office of Preparedness & Emergency Response Systems
  - 2. Cassie Cochran, MPH, Deputy Director for Public Health Programs
  - 3. Naveen Patil, MD, MHSA, MA, FACP, FIDSA, Deputy State Health Officer, Medical Director, Infectious Diseases
- G. Update on the Arkansas Breast Milk Bank (**Exhibit G**)
  - 1. Misty Virmani, MD, Neonatologist, UAMS
  - 2. Elizabeth Kim, MD, Neonatologist, UAMS
  - 3. Tonya Johnson, MS, RD, Director of Nutritional Services, UAMS
- H. Arkansas Research Alliance (**Exhibit H**)
  - 1. Jerry Adams, President, Arkansas Research Alliance
  - 2. Bryan Barnhouse, CEO, Arkansas Research Alliance

**Note: All exhibits for this meeting are available by electronic means and are accessible on the General Assembly's website at [www.arkleg.state.ar.us](http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us)**

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- I. Report of the Arkansas Minority Health Commission on Health Disparities in Arkansas(A.C.A.§ 20-2-106)
  - Este Frazier, Interim Director, Arkansas Minority Health Commission (AMHC)
  
- J. Report of Vision Screenings in Arkansas Public and Charter Schools for 2020-2021 School Year (A.C.A.§ 6-18-1803(b) **(Exhibit J)**)
  - Cheria McDonald, BSN, RN, NCSN, School Nurse Consultant, Division of Elementary and Secondary Education, Arkansas Department of Education
  
- K. Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Medical Services, Review of Rule Regarding Extension of Benefits for Acute Crisis Units and Substance Abuse Detoxification, and Telemedicine for Specific Services. **(Exhibit K)**
  - 1. Mark White, Chief Legislative & Governmental Relations and Chief of Staff, DHS
  - 2. Elizabeth Pittman, Director, Division of Medical Services, DHS
  - 3. Patricia Gunn, Deputy Director, Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services, DHS
  
- L. Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Medical Services, Review of Rule dealing with State Plan Amendment 2021-0004 Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptives (LARCs) and Provider Manual Updates (Rule 129) **(Exhibit L)**
  - 1. Mark White, Chief Legislative & Governmental Relations, Deputy Director and Chief of Staff, DHS
  - 2. Elizabeth Pittman, Director, Division of Medical Services
  
- M. Arkansas Department of Health (ADH), Center for Health Protection, Review of Rule Pertaining to Arkansas Prescription Drug Monitoring Program. This rule makes miscellaneous correction to references and descriptions, inserts definitions for clarification, and makes revisions mandated by Act 62 of 2021. **(Exhibit M)**
  - 1. Laura Shue, JD, General Counsel, ADH
  - 2. Jamie Turpin, Administrator, Prescription Drug Monitoring Program, ADH
  
- N. Arkansas Department of Health (ADH), Center for Health Protection, Review of Rule pertaining to Ionizing radiation, for control sources of ionizing radiation which pertains to possession and the use of X-ray machines, accelerators, and radioactive material in the state of Arkansas, and implements Act 268 of 2021. **(Exhibit N)**
  - 1. Chuck Thompson, JD, Managing Attorney, ADH
  - 2. Bernard Bevill, Radiation Control Section Chief, ADH
  
- O. Other Business
  
- P. Adjournment