

**MINUTES**  
**ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND DEMENTIA ADVISORY COUNCIL**  
**Monday, October 30, 2023**  
**12:30 PM**  
**Room 151, State Capitol**  
**Little Rock, Arkansas**

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Committee members present: Senator Clint Penzo, Co-Chair; Representative Julie Mayberry, Co-Chair

Non-legislative members present: Dr. Gohar Azhar, Toney Bailey (Non-Voting), Phyllis Bell, Rachel Bunch, David Cook, Stephenie A. Cooke, Jennifer Hallum, Jay Hill (Non-Voting), Dr. Amyleigh Overton-McCoy, Tatum Owenby, and Dr. Jeanne Wei

Other members present: Senators Alan Clark, and Fredrick Love; Representative Johnny Rye

Representative Mayberry called the meeting to order.

**Consideration to Approve the Minutes from the September 26, 2023, Meeting [Exhibit B]**

David Cook made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Stephenie Cooke, and the motion carried.

**Medicaid Personal Needs Allowance [Exhibit C and Handout C]**

Martha Deaver, Director, Arkansas Advocates for Nursing Home Residents; Veronica Tess Myers, Arkansas Advocates for Nursing Home Residents; Jay Hill, Director of Public Policy and Government Affairs, Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services, Department of Human Services; and Elizabeth Pittman, Department of Human Services; gave an overview of the medical personal needs allowance.

**Follow-up to Alzheimer's Medical Insurance Coverage**

Jack Hopkins, Director, Government Relations, Centene Corporation, provided additional information regarding insurance coverage for Alzheimer's medication.

**Overview of Super Noggin Program [Exhibit E]**

Stephenie A. Cooke, Executive Director, Alzheimer's Arkansas, briefly discussed the Super Noggin programs and other dementia prevention ideas.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.