

AGENDA

HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE 25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

November 17, 2025

10:00 AM

PRESIDING: Honorable Vince R. James, Chairperson
Honorable Germaine Simonson, Vice-Chairperson

PLACE: Budget & Finance Conference Room
Via Telecommunications:
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Window Rock, NN (AZ)

☐ Helena Nez Begay	☐ Germaine Simonson
☐ Vince R. James	☐ George Tolth
☐ Dr. Andy Nez	☐ Curtis Yanito

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER; ROLL CALL; INVOCATION; ANNOUNCEMENTS

2. RECOGNIZE GUESTS AND VISITING OFFICIALS

3. REVIEW AND ADOPT THE AGENDA

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4. REVIEW AND ADOPT THE JOURNAL(S):

➤ October 9, 2025 – Special Meeting

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5. REPORT(S):

A. Report: Update

John Hopkins Center for Indigenous Health

- CIH Overview & General Updates
- Cradleboard Workshops
- Elders in Residence
- Play Space Initiative
- Conclusion

Presenters: Crystal Austin, Director of Communications and Co-Director of External Affairs

Leonela Nelson, Site Coordinator and Research Associate
Marissa Begay, Associate Director of Operations

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B. Report: Update

- Expediting the food purchase process with Bashas for NDOH's Navajo Senior Citizen Centers, NFDP, WIC, etc.

Presenters: Office of the Controller

Sean McCabe, CPA, NN Controller; Office of the Controller
Robert Willie, Assistant Controller; Office of the Controller
Elsie Julian, Accounting Manager, Accounts Payable/P-card, OOC

NDOH

Sherylene Yazzie, Provisional NDOH Director
Dorthene Edison, Sr. Management Analyst; Office of Executive Director, NDOH
Division of Aging & Long Term Care Services: (HSA-Vacant)
Lee Begay, Sr. Program & Project Specialist; DALTCS, NDOH (HSA-Vacant)
Division of Public Health Services: (HSA-Vacant)
Claudeen Tallwood, Program Manager; Navajo Food Distribution Program, NDOH

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C. Report: Navajoland Nursing Home, Inc.

- Contract Care (Reimbursement for Services.)

Presenters: Navajoland Nurscing Home

Wayne Claw, CEO; Navajoland Nursing Home / Dr. Guy Gorman, Sr. Care Home.

Navajo Division of Children and Family Services:

Thomas Cody, Executive Director, Navajo Division for Children and Family Services
Sonlatsa Jim, Deputy Director, DCFS
Crescentia Tso, Department Manager III; DCFS
Delphina Benallie, Principal Social Worker, DCFS
Rhonda Jishie, Contract Analyst, DCFS
Jeremy Jishie, Senior Accountant, DCFS

Navajo Office of the Controller:

Sean McCabe, Controller; Navajo Nation Office of the Controller
Robert Willie, NN Assistant Controller; Office of the Controller

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7. NEW BUSINESS:

Sponsor: Delegate Vince R. James

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Sponsor: Delegate Arbin Mitchell

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Presenter(s): Health, Education and Human Services Committee

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Navajo Nation Insurance Services Program and the Department of Justice

- Possible Impacts from IHS' Report pertaining to Self-Funded Programs/Organizations.
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F. Work Session and Date:

Navajo Nation Vehicle Review Board & Fleet Management

- Continue the review of proposed amendments to the Motor Vehicle Operators Handbook.
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8. CLOSE OF MEETING; ANNOUNCEMENTS; ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING(S) / TRAVEL:

- Monday, November 17, 2025 10:00 am HEHSC Regular Mtg; Zoom, B&F conf. rm.; Window Rock, NN (AZ)
- Monday, November 17, 2025 3:00 pm/Following conclusion of HEHSC regular meeting. Leadership Meeting with NDHR/DPM, B&F conf. rm.; Window Rock, NN (AZ)
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THIS AGENDA SUBJECT TO CHANGE: The public is advised that the Navajo Nation Council Agenda and the Agendas of the Standing Committees are not final until adopted by a majority vote of the Navajo Nation Council or the Standing Committees at a Navajo Nation Council or a Standing Committee meeting pursuant to 2 N.N.C. §§163 and 183, Navajo Nation Council Rule of Order No. 7, and Standing Rule of Order No. 8.