

AGENDA

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

Leadership Meeting

August 26, 2026

3:00 pm

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

PLACE : Budget and Finance Conference Room
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Window Rock, Navajo Nation (AZ)

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

1. **CALL LEADERSHIP MEETING TO ORDER; ROLL CALL;
INVOCATION; ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

2. **RECOGNIZE GUESTS AND VISITING OFFICIALS:**

3. **REVIEW THE AGENDA (Consensus)**

A. REPORT: Navajo Department of Health
Navajo Nation Auditor General
Navajo Department of Justice
Navajo Office of the Controller
Navajo Office of Management and Budget

- Performance Audit of the Navajo Area Agency on Aging. Audit Report No. 04-06 (June 30, 2024)
- Corrective Action Plan for Audit Report No. 04-16 (October 5, 2024)
- BFMA-08-08: *Relating to Health and Finance; Accepting a Follow-up Review of the Navajo Area on Aging and Imposing Sanctions on the Department Manager, Navajo Area Agency on Aging for Failure to Implement the Navajo Area Aging Corrective Action Plan.*

NAAA Audit, corrective action plan and BFC action on NAAA not implementing the CAP.
NAAA has since revised their plan of operation to the name of DALTCS.

The sanctioning process will be discussed per BFC directive with OMB.

The OAG will schedule a follow up (TBD) OAG currently has a RFP in the process to conduct a follow-up review on DALTCS.

HEHSC Leadership Meeting on August 25, 2026:

- *Systemic reimbursement issues contributing to timely financial accountability and timely services rendered to the NN public.*

Presenters: Navajo Department of Health:

Sherylene Yazzie, Acting Director, NDOH
Anslem Lewis, Jr., Senior Programs & Projects Specialist; Epidemiology-NDOH
Donovan Andy, Program Supervisor II
James Begay, Program Supervisor II
Cornelia Pioche, Program Supervisor II
Naomi Yazzie, Program Supervisor II
Lesita Desiderio, Program Supervisor II
Genevieve Castillo, Accountant
Miranda Gorman, Statistician Technician
Valencia Lee, Statistician Technician
Kellie Largo, Statistician Technician

Navajo Nation Office of the Auditor General:

Jeanine Jones, Auditor General; NN Office of the Auditor General

Navajo Department of Justice:

Michelle Begay-Nakai, Attorney, Navajo Department of Justice

Navajo Office of the Controller:

Sean McCabe, Controller, Office of the Controller
Robert Willie, Assistant Controller; Office of the Controller
Christine Chavez, Accounting Manager, Contract Accounting, OOC
Stacey Manuelito, Principal Accountant, Contract Accounting, OOC

Office of Management and Budget:

Cordell Shortey, Contracting Officer, OMB Contract and Grants

**4. CLOSE OF MEETING; ANNOUNCEMENTS;
ADJOURNMENT NEXT MEETING(S) / TRAVEL:**

- Monday, August 31, 2026 10:00 am HEHSC Regular Meeting; B&F conference room, Window Rock, NN (AZ)
- Monday, September 14, 2026 10:00 am HEHSC Regular Meeting; B&F conference room, Window Rock, NN (AZ)
- Wednesday - Friday, September 16 – 18, 2026 OLS Staff Development and Wellness (Mandatory)
- Monday, September 21, 2026 10:00 am HEHSC Regular Meeting; B&F conference room, Window Rock, NN (AZ)
- Monday, September 28, 2026 10:00 am HEHSC Regular Meeting; B&F conference room, Window Rock, NN (AZ)