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Beneficiary Advisory Council

APRIL 15, 2026 | 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

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A group of diverse people, including a person in a wheelchair, are holding hands in a circle on a grassy field. The image is overlaid with a teal tint. The text "CALL TO ORDER" is centered in the upper half, and "BAC CHAIR(S)" is centered in the lower half.

CALL TO ORDER

BAC CHAIR(S)

BEFORE WE START...

On behalf of all colleagues at the Health Care Authority, we humbly acknowledge we are on the ancestral lands of the original peoples of the Pueblo, Apache, and Diné past, present, and future.

With gratitude we pay our respects to the land, the people and the communities that contribute to what today is known as the **Great State of New Mexico.**

Learn more: About Taos Pueblo at [Taospueblo.com](https://www.taospueblo.com)



A cloudy morning looking over Taos Pueblo
Photo provided by elpueblolodge.com





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MISSION

We ensure New Mexicans attain their highest level of health by providing whole-person, cost-effective, accessible, and high-quality health care and safety-net services.

VISION

Every New Mexican has access to affordable health care coverage through a coordinated and seamless health care system.

GOALS



LEVERAGE purchasing power and partnerships to create innovative policies and models of comprehensive health care coverage that improve the health and well-being of New Mexicans and the workforce.



BUILD the best team in state government by supporting employees' continuous growth and wellness.



ACHIEVE health equity by addressing poverty, discrimination, and lack of resources, building a New Mexico where everyone thrives.

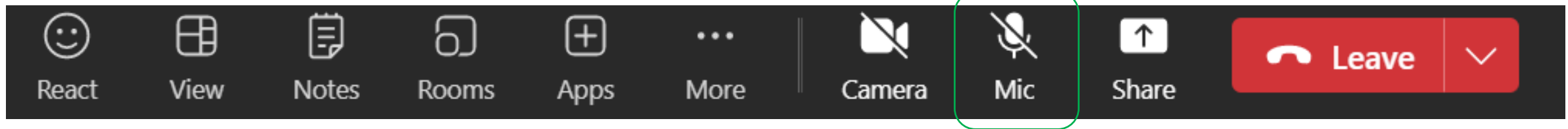


IMPLEMENT innovative technology and data-driven decision-making to provide unparalleled, convenient access to services and information.

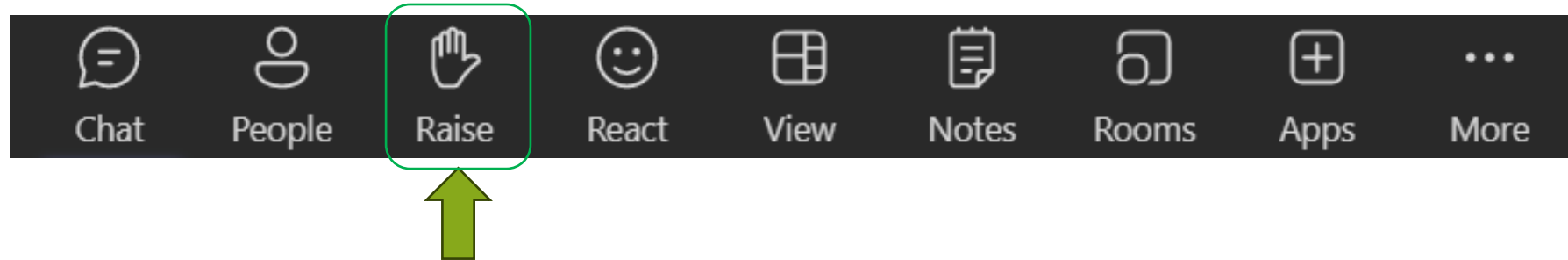
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MEETING NORMS:

- Participants, please mute all background noise and microphones
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- To raise your hand, click on Raise. Click the hand again to lower your hand



- Turn on your camera when speaking
- Use the chat or Q/A features to ask questions or share comments respectfully
- Actively participate



ROLL CALL & AGENDA APPROVAL

LA DON WOODSON, HCA

Time	Agenda Item	Facilitator
6:00 PM - 6:15 PM	Call to Order <ul style="list-style-type: none"> HCA's Vision/Mission/Goals Meeting Norms 	La Don Woodson, Zachary Larry
6:15 PM - 6:20 PM	Minutes Approval for January 21, 2026	Samantha Barncastle, Amy Corbin
6:20 PM - 6:40 PM	Medicaid Director Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none"> HR 1 Updates Budget & Legislative Update 	Alanna Dancis, Acting Medicaid Director
6:40 PM - 6:50 PM	HR 1 Statewide Marketing Campaign in Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> "Keep Your Benefits NM!" 	Heidi Capriotti, Deputy Director, Communication and Innovation
6:50 PM - 7:05 PM	Chief Medical Officer Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ordering and Referring Providers (ORP) Providers Drug List (PDL) Clinical Benefit Review Committee (CBRC) 	Keenan Ryan, Acting Chief Medical Officer, Director of Pharmacy
7:05 PM - 7:20 PM	MAC Meeting Updates	La Don Woodson, Samantha Barncastle, Amy Corbin
7:20 PM – 7:35 PM	Key Priorities: 1. Access to Care	
7:35 PM - 7:50 PM	BAC Bylaws	
7:50 PM - 8:00 PM	Closing & Next Steps	La Don Woodson
8:00 PM	Adjourn	Next Meeting, July 22, 2026, 6:00 – 8:00 pm

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Times are estimate

01/21/2026 MINUTES APPROVAL

SAMANTHA BARNCASTLE



MEDICAID DIRECTOR WELCOME

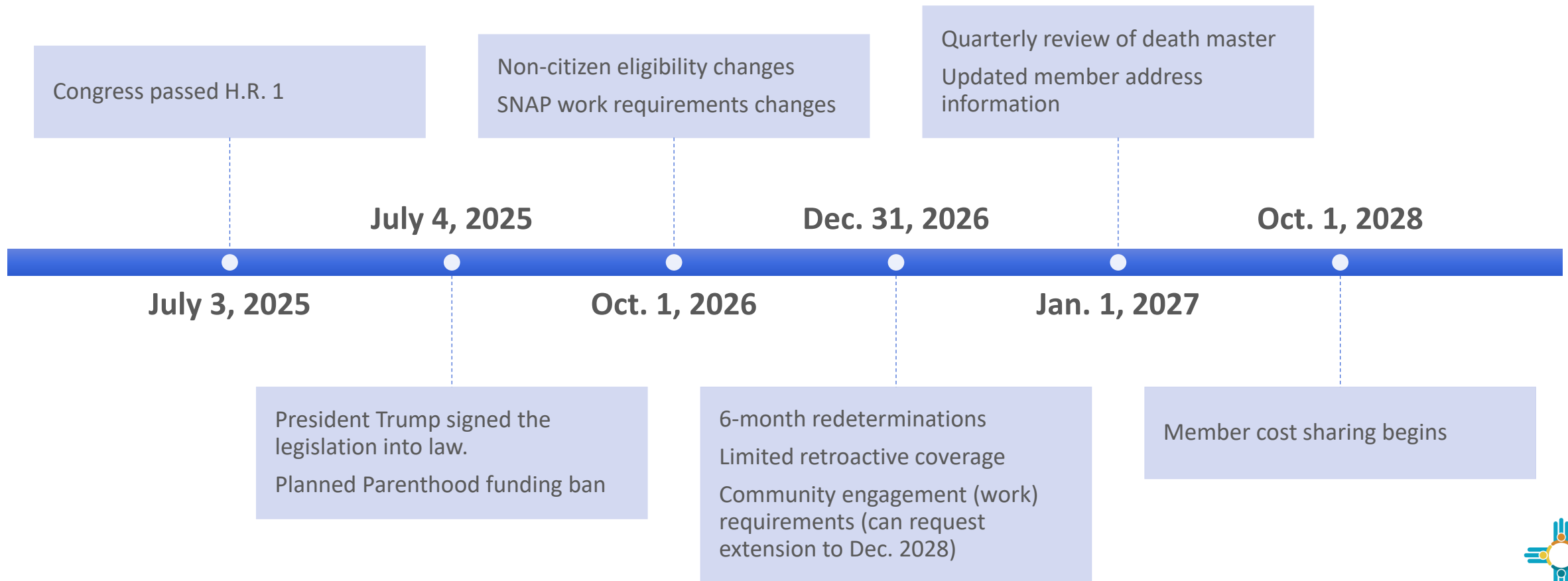
ALANNA DANCIS, DNP, CNP, RN
ACTING MEDICAID DIRECTOR

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LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

- SB1: Interstate Medical Licensure Compact
- HB50: Interstate Social Work Licensure Compact
- HB38: Wheelchair Insurance Coverage
- HB156: Repeal Special Session Vaccine Laws
- SB20: Prior Authorization Prescription Drugs
- SB101: Health Care Delivery & Access Act Repeal
- HB2





REQUIRED IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE

Category	Item	Effective	Prog Impact	Admin Impact	Enactment	12/31/2025	10/1/2026	1/1/2027	10/1/2027	1/1/2028	10/1/2028	1/1/2029
Provider Payments	Cease federal payments to entities providing abortions	Enactment	Low	Low								
Provider Payments	Rural Health Transformation Program -- submit state application	12/31/2025	High	High								
Expansion Adults	Refinance emergency services from 90% FMAP to regular FMAP	10/1/2026	Low	Low								
Reduce Coverage	Change definition of qualified alien - exclude multiple groups	10/1/2026	Medium	High								
Reduce Coverage	Reduce retroactive coverage - from 3 months to 1 of 2 months	1/1/2027	Low	Medium								
Expansion Adults	Eligibility redeterminations - 12 months to 6 months	1/1/2027	High	High								
Expansion Adults	Community engagement - monthly check on redetermination	1/1/2027	High	High								
Other Changes	Reducing duplicate enrollment - process and MCO contracts	1/1/2027	Low	Medium								
Provider Payments	Provider taxes - phase down hold harmless threshold	10/1/2027	High	High								
Provider Payments	Change to waiver of uniform tax requirements - up to 3 year transition	Enactment	Medium	Low								
Provider Payments	State Directed Payments - phase down current payments	1/1/2028	High	High								
Other Changes	Disenroll deceased individuals - quarterly review of master file	1/1/2028	Low	Low								
Other Changes	Disenroll deceased providers - quarterly review of master file	10/1/2028	Low	Low								
Other Changes	Standalone HCBS waiver option - non-institutional level of care	10/1/2028	Low	Low								
Expansion Adults	Implement cost sharing requirements for Expansion Adults	10/1/2028	Medium	High								
Other Changes	Reduce payments if error rate >3% - based on audits	10/1/2029	Low	Low								





COMMUNICATIONS

HEIDI CAPRIOTTI
DEPUTY DIRECTOR

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HR1: COMMUNICATIONS

- Statewide marketing campaign in development
 - Summer launch
 - Radio, tv, out of home, social media, provider toolkit

ASK OF BAC: How to best reach your stakeholders?

ASK of BAC: What terminology do you prefer: “Community engagement” or “Work Requirements”

Keep Your Benefits NM!



COMMUNICATIONS

TAP, SCROLL, ENGAGE: TELL US HOW YOU CONNECT

Welcome! Let's start with a quick activity to learn more about how we all use social media.

- **How to participate:**
- Open the survey using the **Microsoft Forms** link provided.
- Answer each question based on your personal social media habits and preferences.
- Select the options that best apply to you—some questions may allow multiple selections.
- **What to expect:**
- The survey takes about **2–3 minutes** to complete.
- There are no right or wrong answers—we're interested in your honest feedback.
- Your responses may be shared in real-time (anonymously) to spark group discussion.
- Once you're finished, click **Submit**. We'll review the results together and discuss what stands out.

Keep Your Benefits **NM!**



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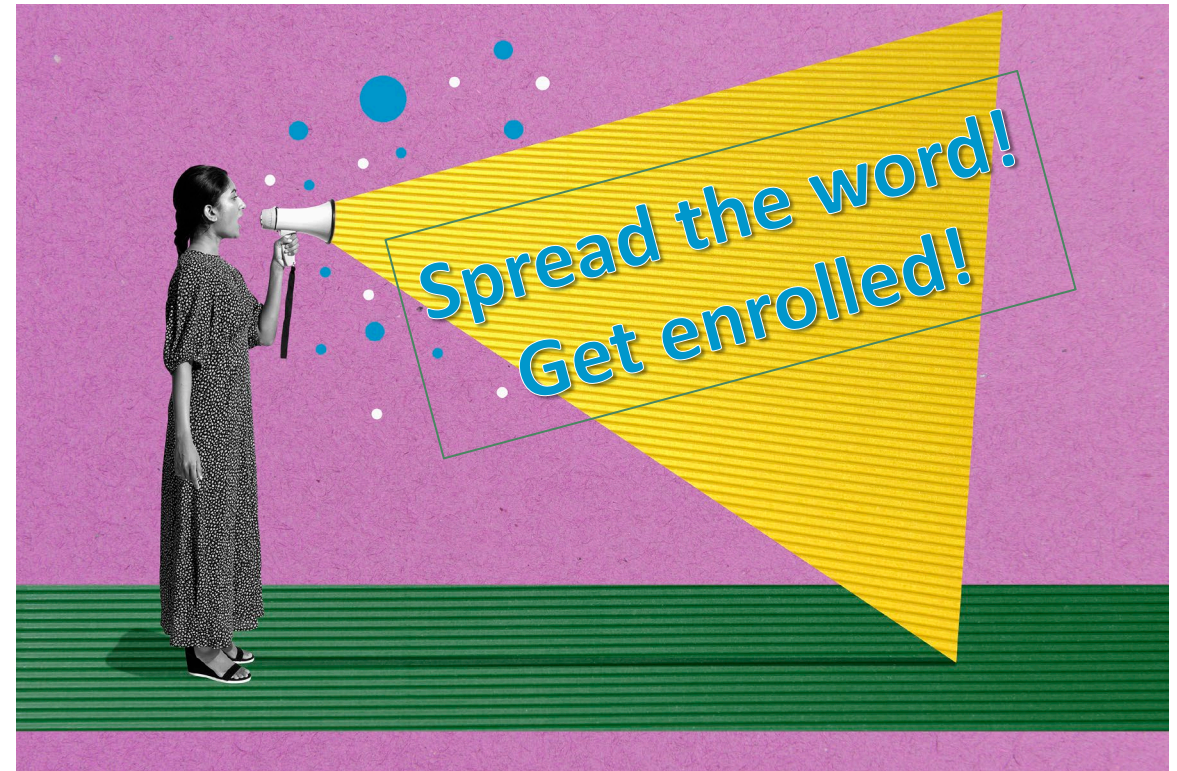
CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER UPDATES

KEENAN RYAN, PharmD, PhC, MPH
ACTING CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER

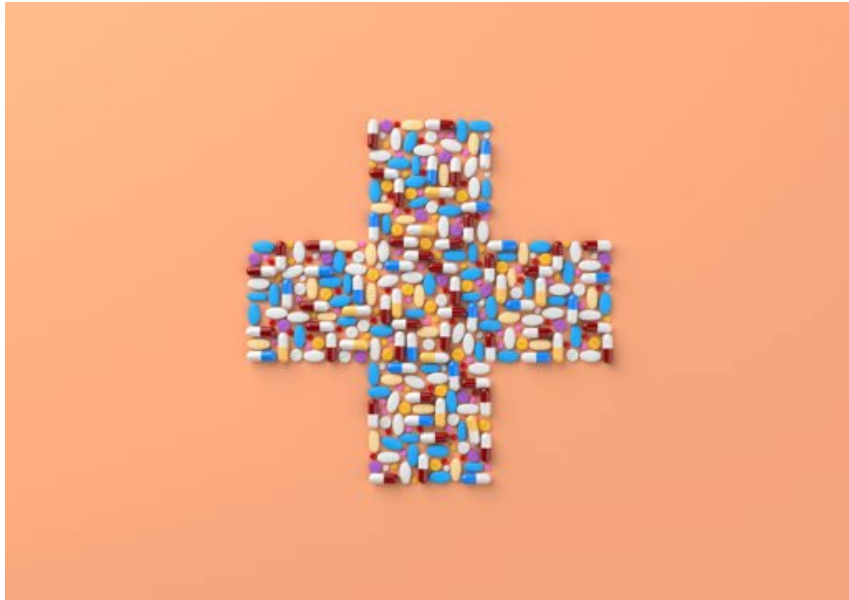
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ORDERING AND REFERRING PROVIDERS

- Both federal and state guidance require Medicaid enrollment for both billing entity as well as the ordering/rendering provider (ORP)
- Not all encounter types have ORP denials in place
 - Historically was used to limit provider/member abrasion
- Starting in State Fiscal Year 27 denial edits will go-live for all ORP
 - All providers should register through YesNM.com
- Please assist in communicating update to all parties to limit the abrasion for all parties
- www.hca.nm.gov/orp/



PREFERRED DRUG LIST



- Go live of Preferred Drug List (PDL)
Delayed until **July 1st, 2026**
 - Gives space for CMdS go-live and allows MCOs more time to configure their systems
- July 1st will be a soft launch, medications not denied at pharmacy counter
 - Soft launch anticipated for at least 6 months



CLINICAL BENEFIT REVIEW COMMITTEE

- The Clinical Benefit Review Committee (CBRC) was established for the purpose of reviewing services, procedures and medications for possible addition/expansion of Medicaid coverage.
 - Recommendations for approval do not guarantee coverage, as additions are subject to budget availability and director approval.
- Committee is run by the University of New Mexico Center for Health Policy and members of the committee comprise clinical staff from: MAD, BHSD, DOH, OSI
- Last meeting held 4/7/26 and reviewed Topical oxygen therapies, Percutaneous Electrical Nerve Field Stimulation (PENFS), and Gozellix for PSMA-PET imaging
- To submit an item for review, please send your request, or information, to MAD.CBRC@hca.nm.gov.



QUESTIONS/ADVICE



MAC MEETING UPDATES

LA DON WOODSON, HCA
MAC/BAC REPS

MAC MEETING REPORT

Next MAC meeting:

05/04/2026 | 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

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KEY PRIORITIES: 1 ACCESS TO CARE

SAMANTHA BARNCASTLE, AMY CORBIN

DETERMINING BAC BYLAWS

- [New BAC Bylaws DRAFT.docx](#)
- [REDLINE- New MAC Bylaws.docx](#)

Review

Discuss

Revise

Things to consider:

- CMS Guidance:
 - Term-limits
 - Topic focus
 - Annual Reporting

**Due date:
March 23, 2026**



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CLOSING

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CLOSING & NEXT STEPS

- Summary of Key Decisions and Action items
- Set date/Time for next meeting
- Adjourn





THANK YOU