



Certified Counselors & Hypnotherapist Advisory Subcommittee
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 8, 2024

Hybrid Meeting via Microsoft Teams and in-person WA DOH 111 Israel Road SE, Town Center
2, Room 140, Tumwater, WA 98501

Subcommittee members present: Drue Larson, Certified Counselor, Chair
Betty Jensen, Certified Counselor
Anthony Gitch, Hypnotherapist
Sarah Prince, Public Member
Tim Livingston, Public Member
Gabe Manino, Public Member

Subcommittee members absent: None

Staff members present: Katie Impecoven, Program Support
Alie Dobson, Program Support

Assistant Attorney General: Luke Eaton, Assistant Attorney General

Guest presenters: None

On November 8, 2024, the Washington State Certified Counselors and Hypnotherapist Advisory Subcommittee met in person at Washington State Department of Health and online via Microsoft Teams. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of the meeting was published on the Certified Adviser, Certified Counselor, and Hypnotherapist professions' websites and was sent out via the GovDelivery listserv for each profession.

Please Note: Comments from the public in attendance may be solicited after each agenda item.

1. Introductions – The meeting began at 1:00 p.m.

1.1. Introductions

2. Scope of Committee

2.1. Our Purpose

2.1.1. Ms. Larson discussed the purpose of forming a subcommittee for the profession.

2.2. History

2.2.1. Mr. Livingston discussed the history of the advisory committee and profession.

2.3. Our Why

2.3.1. The entire subcommittee discussed the lack of awareness for the Certified Counselor and Hypnotherapist profession that could result in the entire credential being eliminated.

3. Schedule 2025 Meeting Dates

3.1. The committee requested the department review the allotment time for future subcommittee meetings before the subcommittee schedules future meetings.

4. SWOT Analysis

4.1. Synthesize SWOT Findings

4.1.1. Mr. Livingston presented a spreadsheet of the SWOT analysis findings from the July committee meeting.

4.2. Define Strategic Objectives

4.2.1. The subcommittee discussed action steps that can increase awareness for the Certified Counselors and Hypnotherapists professions.

5. Next Steps

5.1. The subcommittee will create lists of where to send flyers to in order to create awareness about the Certified Counselors and Hypnotherapists professions.

5.2. The subcommittee will work to create an FAQ handout for the Certified Counselors and Hypnotherapists professions.

5.3. Ms. Impehoven will follow up with the department regarding the allotment time for future meetings.

6. Meeting ended at 1:52 p.m.

Submitted by:

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Approved by:

Drue Larson, Chair
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