

# AGENDA

## HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE 24<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**December 21, 2022**  
**10:00 AM**

**PRESIDING** : Honorable Daniel E. Tso, Chairperson  
Honorable Carl R. Slater, Vice-Chairperson

**PLACE** : Via Telecommunications:  
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- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER; ROLL CALL; INVOCATION; ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 2. RECOGNIZE GUESTS AND VISITING OFFICIALS**
- 3. REVIEW AND ADOPT AGENDA**

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- 4. REVIEW AND ADOPT THE JOURNAL(S):** None

**5. RECEIVING REPORT:**

- A. Indian Health Services – Navajo Area**
- Native American Budget Inclusion in Appropriations Budget
  - Funding Availability for Decontamination of Buildings
  - IHS – Navajo Area Status and Strategy on Triple Epidemic of Flu, RSV and COVID Variants
  - Update on IHS Navajo Area Positions during current Transition

**Presenter(s):** Captain Brian Johnson, Navajo Area Director; Indian Health Services  
Marquis Yazzie, Director – Office of Indian Self-Determination  
Navajo Area Indian Health Service

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**B. Division of Social Services**

Department of Family Services  
Family Harmony Northern Treehouse Shelter; Shiprock, NN (NM)

- Update and Status of Shelter Services
- Full-time availability of Services

**Presenter(s):** Trudy Tsosie, Principal Victim Witness Advocate, Shiprock Northern  
-Treehouse Shelter; Department of Family Services; NDSS  
Deana Neswood-Gishey, Div. Director, Navajo Division of Social Services  
Regina Yazzie, Program Manager III, Dept of Family Services; NDSS

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**C. Division of Social Services**

Completion of the following:

- Division of Social Services, with an emphasis on the Department of Family Services, written update of complete disbursements of employee General Wage Adjustment for FY 2021 and FY2022.
- List of Division of Social Services Employees with an emphasis on the Department of Family Services Employees who have not received the FY21 and FY22 General Wage Adjustment complete distribution to-date and its explanation(s).
- Confirmation of approximately 10+ DSS employees not receiving their paycheck in a timely and required schedule / means for pay period ending December 2, 2022 (Payroll checks scheduled to be disbursed on December 14, 2022).

**Presenters:** Brenda Tsosie, Principal Accountant, Division of Social Services  
Reycita Toddy, HR Classification & Pay Manager; DPM  
Garrick Tsosie, Position Control Analyst, Support Services; DPM  
Lita Sam, Accounting Manager, Payroll Section, Office of the Controller  
Deana Neswood-Gishey, Div. Director, Navajo Div. of Social Services  
Regina Yazzie, Program Manager III, Dept. of Family Services; NDSS

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**D. Navajo Nation Burial Assistance Funds; Non-Payment to Mortuary Venders**

- Non-Payment to Valley Mortuary for services
- Payment timeline to Mortuary Venders for services rendered.
- Status of Navajo Nation OOC Payment to Valley Mortuary and other Mortuaries
- NDSS Burial Assistance, Navajo Family Assistance Services
- Emergency Management COVID Burial Assistance

**Presenter(s):** Robert Willie, Accounting Manager, General Accounting; OOC  
Raeann Metteba, Senior Program & Project Specialist, Burial  
Assistance; Navajo Family Assistance Services; DSS  
Edmund Tso, Delegated Supervisor; Emergency Management  
Jessie Delmar, Executive Director, Navajo Division of Public Safety

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6. **OLD BUSINESS:** *None*

7. **NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Legislation #0253-22:** An Action Relating to the Health, Education and Human Services and Naabik'íyáti' Committees; Approving and Supporting the Utah State Indian Child Welfare Act

**Sponsor:** Delegate Carl R. Slater  
**Co-Sponsor:** Delegate Raymond Smith, Jr.

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**B. Legislation #0254-22:** An Action Requesting the State of Arizona and State of Colorado to Develop, in Consultation with the Navajo Nation, an Indian Child Welfare Act to be Enacted Under State Law.

**Sponsor:** Delegate Carl R. Slater  
**Co-Sponsor:** Delegate Raymond Smith, Jr.

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8. **CLOSE OF MEETING; ANNOUNCEMENTS; ADJOURNMENT  
NEXT MEETING(S):**

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