



Building an Ideal Behavioral Health System, Together.

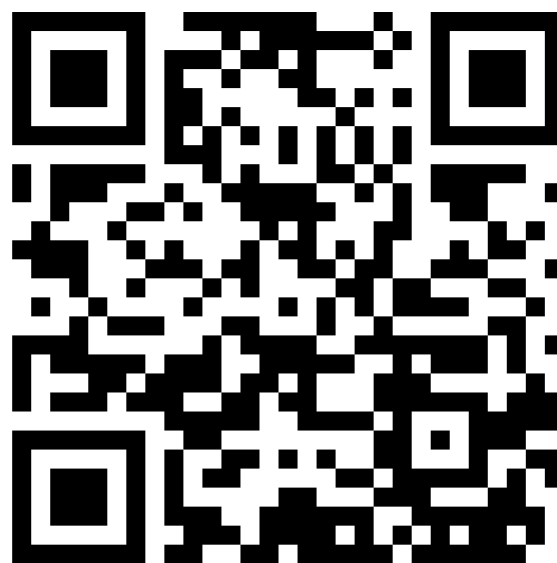
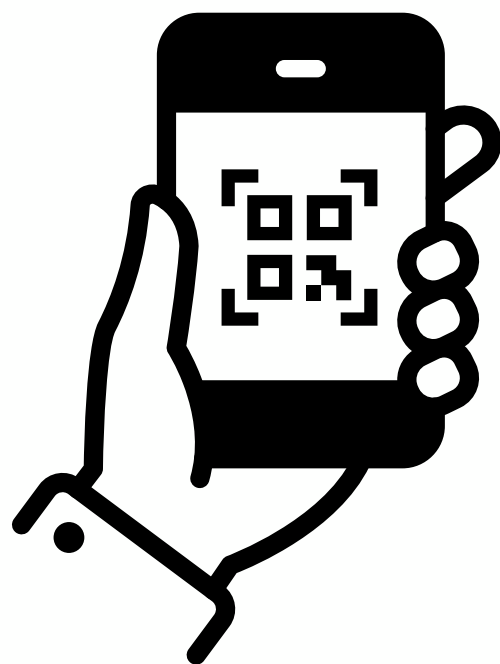
February General Meeting

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February 18th, 2025

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LC3 AGENDA

Topic

- ▶ **Welcome & Background**
- ▶ **Community Needs Assessment Updates**
- ▶ **Annual Meeting Updates & Action Team Follow-Ups**
- ▶ **Special Guest Speaker - Gary Housepian (DRNM)**
- ▶ **Special Guest Speaker: Dylan Pell (NMDOH)**
- ▶ **Wrap-Up & Community Announcements**

LC3 VISION STATEMENT

To build a behavioral health system that is inclusive, organized, centered on the individual and family, and is committed to advocating for and providing comprehensive mental health and substance use disorder services for people across Doña Ana County, New Mexico.



**LC3 Meets every 3rd Tuesday of the month from 11:30am-1pm
Hybrid (Zoom) & in-person FYI+, 1320 S Solano Drive Las Cruces NM**

Sign up for a Meeting at www.tinyurl.com/LC3-RSVP





Realize Las Cruces



TODAY

FEBRUARY 18

1:00 PM

700 N MAIN ST, LAS CRUCES, NM 88001

A RECENT REPORT FROM PEW CHARITABLE TRUSTS STATES THAT "FROM OCTOBER 2017 TO OCTOBER 2024, MEDIAN RENTS IN NEW MEXICO INCREASED BY 60% WHILE THE COST OF A HOME CLIMBED BY 70%.

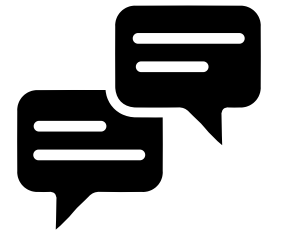
OUR CURRENT LAND USE AND ZONING REGULATIONS ARE ALMOST HALF A CENTURY OLD AND THEY HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO OUR HOUSING SHORTAGE AND HIGH HOUSING COSTS. PASSING REALIZE LAS CRUCES WILL GREATLY EXPAND HOUSING OPTIONS FOR OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITY, AND EASE THE BURDENS OF THOSE IN NEED OF A PLACE TO LIVE.

WE NEED YOUR VOICE AND SUPPORT! SPEAK AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING NO MORE THAN 1 MINUTE, SHARE YOUR NAME, YOUR PERSONAL AND/OR WORK EXPERIENCE WITH FINDING REASONABLY PRICED HOUSING, AND URGE THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL TO PASS REALIZE LAS CRUCES.



LC3 2025 COMMUNITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Doña Ana County:



Your feedback is essential in identifying behavioral health needs, gaps, and opportunities in Doña Ana County—especially for youth, veterans, and underserved populations. This survey will help set priorities for improving access, quality, and coordination of care while guiding future programs and technical assistance.

Survey Opening Soon!

Together, we can shape a stronger behavioral health system for our community!

LC3 OTHER LC3 UPDATES / PARTNERSHIPS

Community Connections



Social Event

A PARTNERSHIP WITH LC3, UNITE US OF NM & DOÑA ANA COUNTY



UNITE US



MONDAY

MAR 24

1030A-1130A

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR THE UPCOMING COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS SOCIAL, DESIGNED TO BRING TOGETHER OUR COMMUNITY'S NONPROFITS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR NETWORKING, INFORMATION SHARING, AND RELATIONSHIP BUILDING. NO SINGLE ORGANIZATION CAN MEET ALL THE NEEDS OF THOSE SEEKING ASSISTANCE. WE RELY ON ONE ANOTHER AND THE RESOURCES AVAILABLE THROUGH OUR COMMUNITY OF HELPING AGENCIES TO PROVIDE WHOLE-PERSON CARE. TO CONFIDENTLY REFER CLIENTS, IT'S IMPORTANT TO HAVE OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT, LEARN ABOUT THE SERVICES EACH ORGANIZATION OFFERS, AND UNDERSTAND HOW THEY OPERATE. THIS SOCIAL IS DESIGNED TO FACILITATE JUST THAT!



TO RSVP, SCAN OR CODE OR RSVP AT:
[HTTPS://WWW.TINYURL.COM/LC3UNITEUS25](https://www.tinyurl.com/LC3UNITEUS25)

LC3 OTHER LC3 UPDATES / PARTNERSHIPS

Anti-Bullying - Survey & Upcoming Summit



ANTI-BULLYING SUMMIT

FEBRUARY 27, 2025 4:00–7:30 PM

AT DACC WORKFORCE CENTER
2345 NEVADA AVE. LAS CRUCES, NM 88001
ROOMS 119, 121, & 123

FOOD • CHILDCARE • REAL-TIME TRANSLATION



RSVP at <https://tinyurl.com/3x4nw5be>

Join us and be apart of the
community solution!

STOP BULLYING

THE LAS CRUCES PUBLIC SCHOOLS WANT TO
HEAR FROM PARENTS ABOUT EXPERIENCES
WITH BULLYING IN THE SCHOOLS.
THE INPUT WILL BE SHARED AT A DISTRICT
SUMMIT IN JANUARY BY KG INNOVATIVE
SOLUTIONS... STAY TUNED!

TAKE THE SURVEY AT
[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/
33HSWMK3](https://tinyurl.com/33HSWMK3) →



LC3 SCHEDULED TRAININGS



RSVP at:
www.tinyurl.com/LC3TrainingHub

**May & July
RSVP Opening
Soon:**

Stay Tuned at
www.tinyurl.com/LC3ML

MARCH



SUD TRAINING - NLBHA & LC3
3/19/25 [10AM-2PM VIRTUAL]

APRIL



**LC3 ANNUAL MEETING @
FARM & RANCH MUSEUM**
4/15/24 [10AM-2PM]
COMING SOON



YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID - DAC & LC3
4/3/2025 [IN PERSON 10AM-5PM; 6.5 CEUS]



TRAUMA INFORMED CARE - GDV & LC3
4/8/2025 [IN PERSON 9AM-3:30PM; 6 CEUS]



ADULT MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID - DAC & LC3
4/18/2025 [IN PERSON 9AM-5PM; 7.5 CEUS]



CULTURAL HUMILITY - NLBHA & LC3
4/24/2025 [9AM-3PM VIRTUAL]








BHSD STAR NOMINATIONS

Thanks to our LC3 Board, we have voted in and submitted our nomination for this year's BHSD Star Award.

It is confirmed that our nomination for Kayleigh Martinez of Peak BH / Hatch Coalition / MVPHA has gone through and has been selected.

Congratulations to Kayleigh Martinez!



-  **Youth Action Team**
-  **Housing Services Action Team**
-  **Supportive & Specialty Services Action Team**
-  **Legislative & Sustainable Funding Action Teams**
-  **Crisis Services Action Team**



Action team meetings happening soon. If you are interested, please email jguerrero@fyinm.org or go to: <https://tinyurl.com/LC3AT2025> or scan QR Code to your right to join. If you were in an LC3 Action team prior, we will reach out and add you to the meetings.

LC3 SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER



Gary Housepian (He/His) Chief Executive Officer (Disability Rights NM)

Gary Housepian has been an attorney for more than 47 years. He has devoted those years to providing quality legal services to underserved populations - low-income people and persons with disabilities. That experience has embraced various roles - as legal advisor, litigator and manager. He is the CEO of Disability Rights of New Mexico since April 2018. Prior to coming to New Mexico, he was Executive Director of Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberland, the largest public interest law firm in Tennessee for 10 years. He has held positions as General Counsel for the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Intellectual Disabilities, General Counsel for the Tennessee Department of Human Services, Assistant Attorney General for the State of Tennessee, Managing Attorney of Disability Rights of Tennessee and Staff Attorney with Tennessee Justice Center. As a lawyer, he served as lead counsel in a class action settlement in Tennessee for persons with intellectual disabilities on waiting list for Medicaid Waiver services and participated in numerous health care class action cases in federal courts.



Disability Rights New Mexico

Who is Disability
Rights New Mexico
(DRNM)?



designated Protection
and Advocacy for New
Mexico.

Disability Rights New Mexico





Legal Rights For People With Disabilities

- Private non-profit
- Federal Mandate
- Federal authority to investigate and monitor facilities.
- 7attorneys, 10 advocates
- Office located in Albuquerque, services are statewide.

Kind of Work We Do



Outreach



Training



Intake &
Referral



Individual
Advocacy



Legal work



Systems work



2025 Priorities

- To focus our work, DRNM currently advocates in 11 “priority areas” that impact people with disabilities, such as Housing, Special Education, and more.
- Within these priority areas, we have 40 objectives that guide our team’s work and the use of our resources.

2025 Priorities

- We can't list them all here today, but I would like to highlight the priorities that most impact people with behavior-related disabilities.
- You can read the full list of DRNM's current priorities on our website at:
<https://drnm.org/priorities-2025/>



Decreasing Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation of Persons with Disabilities

We achieve this by:

- Routine monitoring of facilities where people with disabilities receive treatment.
- Conducting patient rights trainings inside facilities.
- Conducting investigations where there are allegations of abuse, neglect, or exploitation.

Improving the Quality and Adequacy of Home and Community-Based Services



- Assure that community programs provide services that meet the need of individuals qualifying for or receiving those services.

Special Education

We advocate for students who need special education services, as well as students who qualify for 504 plans under the Vocational Rehabilitation Act.

We do this by:

- Advocating in IEP meetings with parents and students.
- Attending 504 plan meetings.
- Filing administrative “state” complaints with the NM Public Education Department.
- Filing Office of Civil Rights complaints.
- Representing clients in due process hearings with the NMPED.



Advocacy with Vocational Rehab participants, such as clients who are working with DVR, Commission for the Blind, or the Independent Living Resource Centers

- advocate for services that assist people with disabilities in finding and maintaining meaningful employment.



Mental Health Services

Expand the rights of individuals to receive appropriate mental health services, both in residential and outpatient mental health facilities and programs.

- Assist and advocate for individuals in need of mental health services in cases where services are delayed, denied, or significantly reduced, or
- where the amount, duration, or scope of services offered is clearly inadequate,
- and where there is serious risk to the individual's health or safety, or a serious risk of hospitalization or placement in a residential treatment facility, or
- when there appears to be a violation of an individual's rights in a residential treatment facility; and pursue systemic remedies as appropriate.



Mental Health

- Within the *Kevin S.* case, advocate for the rights of children with disabilities in state custody to appropriate, individualized, accessible, adequate, and coordinated medical, mental health, and behavioral health services in safe and stable placements that are the least restrictive and appropriate to their needs from the Children, Youth and Families Department and the Human Services Department.





Promoting Self-Determination and Self-Advocacy

- Advance the rights of people with disabilities to have control over the decisions that affect their lives.

Assist persons subject to guardianship, treatment guardianship, or the authority of a representative payee with;

- preventing or terminating the substitute decision-making arrangement, or
- with achieving a less restrictive substitute decision-making arrangement, in cases where the person does not meet legal criteria for the existing arrangement based on her/his capacity, or where the substitute decision-maker appears to be non-responsive or act in an arbitrary manner to the reasonable preferences of the person,
- Abuse her/his authority, or
- Fail to fulfill fiduciary or other legal responsibilities.





Self-Determination

- Provide outreach, training, and technical assistance to individuals seeking to develop mental health advance directives, and engage in systemic advocacy to promote mental health advance directives and other supported decision-making models as less restrictive alternatives to substitute decision-making arrangements.



Public Policy

Expand, support and utilize the capacity of DRNM as well as individuals and organizations in the disability community to influence public policies and systemic changes in policies, statutes and regulations affecting individuals with disabilities.

- Review and comment on proposed regulatory changes in Medicaid or other public programs that have a significant effect on eligibility, benefits, or procedural protections for persons with disabilities.

DRNM Systemic Advocacy

- Lawsuit against NM Corrections Department to ensure that people who are incarcerated and have an opioid use disorder (OUD) are continued on their medication for opioid use disorder when they enter NMCD custody.
- Lawsuit of *M.G. v. Scrase* filed on behalf of all medically fragile children under the age of 21 who qualify to receive private duty nursing through the State's Medicaid program. The lawsuit against the New Mexico Human Services Department (HSD) and the three Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) for the continued failure to provide medically necessary in-home nursing and to monitor the provision of these services across the state.

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LC3 SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER



Dylan Pell (He/His) Mental Health Epidemiologist (Department of Health)

Dylan Pell is a mental health epidemiologist for the New Mexico Department of Health. He has experience working in child welfare, residential treatment, case management, assertive community treatment, and supportive mental health housing. Dylan holds a Master's in Social Work and a Master's in Public Health from New Mexico State University.



Any Questions / Thoughts?

*Thank
You* From LC3 BHC

LC3 THANK YOU

LC3's Vision

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Want to learn more or keep tabs on LC3? Join our ListServ by Scanning the QR Code or going to www.tinyurl.com/LC3ML



WHEN:

3.18.2025

11:30a-1:00pm

HYBRID (FYI+ & ZOOM)

WHERE:

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