***Health Equity Advisory Commission Meeting Notes***

Date: September 5, 2023

Facilitator:  Rev Mark Hughes

**Agenda Consensus, Previous Meeting Notes** (5 mins)

**Public Comment** (10 mins)

**Status of RFP** - Director Davis (15 mins)

* Status on answers to Request for Questions and deadline extension
* Closing d ate and next steps w/BGS
* Panel: Director Davis, Chair Hughes and Sara Chesbrough

**Status of Report due to legislature** – Kirsten (15 mins)

* Outline framework in draft
* Open Discussion
* Next Steps

**Equity Moment –** Chair Hughes(10 mins)

* National Mental Health Crisis and BIPOC Mental Health Fact Sheet

**Succession Planning for Chair and Vice Chair – Chair Hughes and Director Davis**

* Chair and Vice Chair terms end in October. Nominations in October meeting.
* 2 year terms are ending – reappointment in October. Director Davis to send notifications
* Outreach efforts to encourage participation

**Act 117 (2022) (15 mins) -** Chair Hughes

* [Office of Professional Regulation](https://wfck1gw3.r.us-east-1.awstrack.me/L0/https%3A//sos.vermont.gov/opr//1/0100018a1d5b6197-5e2cf161-0f56-454a-8c32-7a7a7a2d3d6b-000000/-w2f388Qbb4NCRxwHEQNVO7Myzo%3D336) (OPR) study to assess Vermont’s mental health profession licensing regulations.

**Medicaid recertification**

* Tabled

**Next Steps**

Next meeting was announced: October 3, 2023 12:30-2 PM

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