



DOUGLAS COUNTY HEALTH CENTER/COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes for Monday, September 22, 2025

Douglas County Health Center/Community Mental Health Center
4102 Woolworth Avenue

I. Call to Order

Chair Garcia called the meeting to order at 9:00 am and stated that the meeting was being conducted in compliance with Nebraska's Open Meetings law, a copy of which is located on the back wall.

Chair Garcia called the roll at 9:00 am. Chair Garcia, Trustees Borgeson, Fahey, Morgan and Rodgers were present for the call to order. Vice Chair Cavanaugh and Trustee Friend were not present.

II. Consent Agenda

Chair Garcia called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda at 9:01 am. Trustee Rodgers made a motion and Trustee Morgan requested a second. Yeas: Borgeson, Fahey, Garcia, Morgan and Rodgers. Motion passed.

III. Citizen Comments

Chair Garcia called for members of the audience to be heard regarding any item not on the agenda.

IV. Action

No items on the agenda.

V. Discussion

a. National Recovery Month-Detoxification Services

Teri Speck is speaking.

Ms Speck shared statistics regarding substance use disorders, data and an overview of Detoxification Services. She shared the efforts staff makes to connect with individuals in order to move them in the most successful direction. The Douglas County Communications Department created a video highlighting staff and clients who have gone through the recovery process.

VI. DCHC/CMHC Updates

a. Admin Update

Speaking is DeDe Will.

Ms Will provided an update on the installation of the new Whirlpool tubs and the lighting project at DCHC, the Netsmart implementation for CMHC and working with DOTComm to provide a new tech at DCHC. She reported that revenues & expenses are under budget at this time; staff continues to review the VA contract. She also provided updates on staffing, census and admissions. Ms Will provided photos from activities for River City Roundup the week of September 15 for residents and employees.

b. CMHC Update

Speaking is Sherry Driver.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in The Daily Record, a legal newspaper. The notice advised that an agenda kept current was available for public inspection in the Office of the Administrator of Douglas County Health Center.



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Ms Driver provided an update on the conversion to the NetSmart system. She also reported that accreditations for CMHC and CARF will be the focus in 2026. A review of open positions was also discussed.

Ms Driver provided August highlights for the psychiatric inpatient unit regarding medical screening, referral sources, legal status, discharge status, inpatient payor majority sources including breakdown of Medicare and Medicaid and primary and secondary diagnoses. For inpatients, she reviewed the average length of stay, inpatient discharges and occupancy. Also presented were the readmission rates for 30 day, which included minimum and maximum days, average days to readmission and the legal status at discharge.

For the outpatient program, Ms. Driver continued to review occupancy rates, discharges and length of stay. For the outpatient clinic, she provided data for program admissions, triage, nurse, MD/APRN and therapist appointments, Day Treatment Program, Mental Health Diversion Services in collaboration with the Department of Corrections and Emergency Community Support Services, which is fully funded by Region 6 Behavioral Healthcare, and Familiar Faces Program in collaboration with the Department of Corrections. She reported on the admissions for the Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP) and the number of admissions divided by male and female and their annual income. Regarding the Detoxification program, the average length of stay was reported.

VII. Executive Session

There was no need for an executive session.

VIII. Adjourn

Chair Garcia called for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Morgan made a motion to adjourn; Trustee Rodgers seconded it. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:41 a.m.

Next meeting will be held on Monday, October 27, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. at the Douglas County Health Center. (This date was amended at an Emergency Meeting of the Board of Trustees on Friday, October 10, 2025 to Monday, October 20, 2025 at the Omaha-Douglas Civic Center.)