

AGENDA
Senate Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor
House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor
Meeting Jointly

Wednesday, April 1, 2026
1:00 PM
Room A, MAC
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sen. Missy Irvin, Chair
Sen. Dave Wallace, Vice-Chair
Sen. Scott Flippo
Sen. Ricky Hill
Sen. Greg Leding
Sen. Clint Penzo
Sen. John Payton
Sen. Fredrick J. Love

Rep. Jeff Wardlaw, Chair
Rep. Jeremy Wooldridge, Vice-Chair
Rep. Stephen Magie
Rep. Jack Ladyman
Rep. Mary Bentley
Rep. Kenneth B. Ferguson
Rep. Fred Allen
Rep. Aaron Pilkington
Rep. Mark Perry
Rep. Lee Johnson

Rep. Cameron Cooper
Rep. Jay Richardson
Rep. Denise Jones Ennett
Rep. Wayne Long
Rep. Bart Schulz
Rep. Kendra Moore
Rep. Ryan A. Rose
Rep. Zack Gramlich
Rep. Glenn Barnes
Rep. Dolly Henley

- A. Call to Order
- B. Consideration to Approve the March 6, 2026, Meeting Minutes **[Exhibit B]**
- C. Presentation by Breathe Free Arkansas **[Exhibits C1-C2]**
- D. Overview of the Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP) **[Exhibit D]**
 - 1. Brad Nye, Director, RHTP, Department of Finance and Administration (DFA)
 - 2. Jim Hudson, Secretary and Chief Fiscal Officer, DFA
- E. Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of County Operations & Division of Medical Services, Review of Rule, Health Care Coverage for Incarcerated Eligible Individuals **[Exhibit E]**
 - 1. Mary Franklin, Director, Division of County Operations, DHS
 - 2. Elizabeth Pitman, Director, Division of Medical Services, DHS
- F. Arkansas Department of Health (ADH), Arkansas Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology (ABESPA), Review of Rule, Arkansas Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Rules **[Exhibit F]**
 - 1. Nathaniel Roe, Executive Director, ABESPA
 - 2. Matt Gilmore, Boards and Commissions and Public Health Programs Policy Coordinator, ADH
- G. Other Business
- H. Adjournment

Note: All exhibits for this meeting are available by electronic means and are accessible on the General Assembly's website at www.arkleg.state.ar.us

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