

**AGENDA**

**Subcommittee on Mental Health of House Committee on Health & Welfare**

Wednesday, December 13, 2023

Committee Room 5

10:00 a.m.

Chairman: Laurie Schlegel  
Vice Chairman: Christopher Turner

Staff: Meah Johnson, attorney  
Taylor Chrisman, attorney  
Kristy Neubrandner, committee administrative assistant

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. BUSINESS

1. Follow-up discussion on mental healthcare services for children, adolescents, and young adults by the following individual:
  - a. Dr. John de Back, Psychiatrist
2. Discussion on preventative strategies and ways to help those affected by addiction and the relationship between mental health and addiction in the criminal justice system by the following department and organizations:
  - a. Louisiana Sheriffs' Association
  - b. Louisiana District Attorneys Association
  - c. Louisiana Drug and Specialty Courts, Louisiana Supreme Court
  - d. Department of Public Safety and Corrections
  - e. Coalition of Louisiana Addiction Services and Prevention Providers
  - f. Louisiana Addiction Treatment Providers
  - g. GRACE (Guiding Recovery and Creating Empowerment) Program

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

V. ADJOURNMENT

Any person who does not feel comfortable giving testimony in person may submit a prepared statement in accordance with House Rule 14.33 in lieu of appearing before the committee:

A. Any interested person or any committee member may file with the committee a prepared statement concerning a specific instrument or matter under consideration by the committee or concerning any matter within the committee's scope of authority, and the committee records shall reflect receipt of such statement and the date and time thereof.

B. Any person who files a prepared statement which contains data or statistical information shall include in such prepared statement sufficient information to identify the source of the data or

statistical information. For the purposes of this Paragraph, the term "source" shall mean a publication, website, person, or other source from which the data or statistical information contained in the prepared statement was obtained by the person or persons who prepared the statement.

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