



Certified Counselors & Hypnotherapists Advisory Committee
Regular Meeting Notice
April 11, 2025

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Hybrid Meeting ([Teams info](#))
111 Israel Road
Town Center 2, Room 153
Tumwater, WA 98501

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Lisa Webb, Certified Counselor
Betty Jensen, Certified Counselor
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Vacant, Hypnotherapist

Assistant Attorney General: Luke Eaton, Assistant Attorney General

Staff: Eve Austin, Executive Director
Carmen Leso, Program Manager
Katie Impeccoven, Program Support
Alie Dobson, Program Support
Hyon Yi, Deputy Credentialing Manager
Melody Casiano, Policy Analyst

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OPEN SESSION:

1. Call to Order – Anthony Gitch, Hypnotherapist, Chair

- 1.1. Introductions – committee, department staff, and public.
- 1.2. Approval of the April 11, 2025 meeting agenda.
- 1.3. Approval of the January 17, 2025 meeting minutes.

2. Management Reports – Eve Austin, Executive Director, Hyon Yi, Deputy Credentialing Manager, and Katie Impecoven, Assistant Program Manager

- 2.1. Budget report
- 2.2. Credentialing report
- 2.3. Program report

3. Public Comment – Anthony Gitch, Chair

The public will have the opportunity to provide comment during this time.

4. 2025 Legislative Session – Katie Impecoven, Assistant Program Manager or Eve Austin, Executive Director

Department staff will share updates on bills relevant to the profession.

5. Chapter 246-810 WAC Rules – Katie Impecoven, Assistant Program Manager or Eve Austin, Executive Director

Department staff will share the new rules for certified counselors and certified advisers effective July 1, 2025.

6. Break

7. HELMS updates – Eve Austin, Executive Director

Department staff will update the committee on HELMS implementation timelines.

8. Public Comment – Anthony Gitch, Chair

The public will have the opportunity to provide comment during this time.

9. Future Business – Anthony Gitch, Chair

The committee will discuss agenda items for next meeting.

10. Meeting Adjourned

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Next Scheduled Meeting:

Date: July 18, 2025
Time: 9 a.m.
Location: Hybrid Meeting