



Psychedelic Medicine Task Force Meeting Summary

- Participants listed below.
- Meeting documents with presentation slides provide more detail and are available on the [task force webpage](#).

Meeting Summary: November 4, 2023, 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Welcome

Facilitator, Stacy Sjogren, with Management Analysis and Development (MAD), called the meeting to order. She reviewed the rules of engagement for the meeting, welcomed outside observers, introduced task force staff, and gave reference to the task force webpage to find more information. Stacy also reviewed the legislative charge and task force duties found on slides 5-7 in the [November meeting presentation](#).

Roll call was taken, and quorum was secured. See voting log at the bottom of this meeting summary for attendance.

Approve September and October meeting summaries

Dr. Nielson, task force chair, motioned to approve the September and October meeting summaries with an amendment to the September meeting summary to include total tallies for each recommendation. Motion carried. See voting log for details.

Task force logistical business

Dr. Nielson asked task force members to share public feedback collected from their respective constituencies.

Dr. Margaret Gavian shared she has been receiving questions about what the task force recommendations are. She says patients are concerned about the lack of options available if they are interested in psychedelics.

Dr. Nielson reminded task force members that they can speak to media as individuals on the task force, but not speak for the task force itself.

Finalizing task force report

Dr. Caroline Johnson provided an update on the development of the task force report found on slides 13 and 14 of the meeting presentation.

Task force members engaged in a discussion on Mural on additional content to include in the report. Task force members agreed to include a separate section on religious and spiritual use of psychedelics.

Task force members engaged in a discussion on latest updates on psychedelic medicine in the United States.

Break

Small groups discussions

Task force members engaged in a discussion about what comes next and broke out into small groups to discuss topics found on slides 15-17 of the meeting presentation. Task force members used Mural to record discussion notes.

Adjourn

Members of the public were reminded that if they have comments to provide to the task force, they can email health.psychedelicmedicine@state.mn.us.

Participants

Task force members

Courtney Amundson
Helen Bassett
Guthrie Capossela
John Connolly
Paula DeSanto
Stefan Egan
Dr. Margaret Gavian
Jeremy Drucker
Bennett Hartz
Nick Lehnertz
Sen. Mark Koran
Ari McHenry
Dr. Jessica Nielson
Kit O'Neill
Jill Phillips
Ken Sass
Donovan Sather
Adam Tomczik

Others

Jessica Burke, MAD
Stacy Sjogren, MAD
Nick Kor, MAD
Kari Gloppen, MDH
Dr. Caroline Johnson, MDH

Next task force meeting

Monday, November 4, 2024, 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

Voting log

Member name	Roll Call <i>Present/absent</i>	9/9/24 & 10/7/24 minutes Motion: DeSanto Second: McHenry <i>Approve/abstain/reject</i>
Courtney Amundson	Present	Approve
Helen Bassett	Present	Approve
Guthrie Capossela	Present	-
John Connolly	Present	Approve
Paula DeSanto	Present	Approve September / Abstain October
Jeremy Drucker	Present	Approve
Stefan Egan	Present	Approve September / Abstain October
Margaret Gavian	Present	Approve
Bennett Hartz	Present	Approve October / Abstain September
Sen. Mark Koran	Present	Approve
Nick Lehnertz	Present	Approve
Arielle "Ari" McHenry	Present	Approve
Jessica Nielson	Present	Approve
Kit O'Neill	Present	Approve
Jill Phillips	Present	Approve
Kenneth Sass	Present	--

Member name	Roll Call <i>Present/absent</i>	9/9/24 & 10/7/24 minutes Motion: DeSanto Second: McHenry <i>Approve/abstain/reject</i>
Donovan Sather	Present	Approve
Rep. Andy Smith	Absent	--
Michael Tabor	Absent	--
Adam Tomczik	Present	Approve
Ranji Varghese	Absent	--
Rep. Nolan West	Absent	--
Totals	Present: 17 Absent: 5	Approve Sept: 15 / 1 abstain Approve Oct: 14 / 2 abstain