



December 10, 2024: USAAV+ Meeting

Beer Tax Report



USAAV+ Responsibilities in Code

32B-2-404. Alcoholic Beverage and Substance Abuse Enforcement and Treatment Restricted Account distribution

- ▶ If the advisory committee, before January 1, 2033, or the department, on or after January 1, 2033, finds that a municipality described in Subsection (1)(c)(i) demonstrates that the municipality can use the money that the municipality is otherwise eligible to receive in accordance with this part, the advisory committee, before January 1, 2033, or the department, on or after January 1, 2033, may **direct the State Tax Commission to distribute the money to the municipality.**
- ▶ By not later than September 1 each year, the advisory committee, before January 1, 2033, or the department, on or after January 1, 2033, shall notify the State Tax Commission of any municipality that does not have a law enforcement agency.

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32B-2-404. Alcoholic Beverage and Substance Abuse Enforcement and Treatment Restricted Account distribution

- ▷ By not later than December 1 of each year, the advisory committee, before January 1, 2033, or the department, on or after January 1, 2033, shall **notify the State Tax Commission for the fiscal year of appropriation of:**
 - a municipality that may receive a distribution under Subsection (1)(c)(ii);
 - a county that may receive a distribution allocated to a municipality described in Subsection (1)(c)(i);
 - a municipality or county that may not receive a distribution because the advisory committee, before January 1, 2033, or the department, on or after January 1, 2033, has suspended the payment under Subsection 32B-2-405(2)(a); and
 - a municipality or county that receives a distribution because the suspension of payment has been cancelled under Subsection 32B-2-405(2).



USAAV+ Responsibilities in Code

32B-2-404. Alcoholic Beverage and Substance Abuse Enforcement and Treatment Restricted Account distribution

- ▶ By not later than January 1 of the fiscal year of appropriation, the State Tax Commission shall annually distribute to each municipality and county the portion of the appropriation that the municipality or county is eligible to receive under this part, **except for any municipality or county that the advisory committee**, before January 1, 2033, or the department, on or after January 1, 2033, **notifies the State Tax Commission in accordance with Subsection (4) may not receive a distribution in that fiscal year.**
 - The advisory committee, before January 1, 2033, or the department, on or after January 1, 2033, shall prepare forms for use by a municipality or county in applying for a distribution under this part.
 - A form described in this Subsection (5) may require the submission of information the advisory committee, before January 1, 2033, or the department, on or after January 1, 2033, considers necessary to enable the State Tax Commission to comply with this part.



Updates on the Utah Behavioral Health Commission

Strategic Plan Development

- ▷ In 2025, the Commission will refine the Master Plan into a five-year strategic plan with measures and targets.
- ▷ Timeline:
 - January - February 2025: Develop high-level strategies for the plan.
 - March - June 2025: Develop objectives, performance measures, and tactics.
 - July 2025: Assign responsible units and leaders to each objective.
 - August - September 2025: Develop draft five-year strategic plan.
 - October 2025: Solicit input.
 - November - December 2025: Finalize plan.
 - 2026 and beyond: Execution and monitoring.

Committee Consolidation

- ▷ In 2025, the Commission will submit recommendations on committee consolidation in its legislative report.
- ▷ Timeline:
 - January - May 2025: Solicit input from subcommittees.
 - June - July 2025: Assess areas of duplication and potential gaps based on strategic plan priorities.
 - August 2025: Propose options on consolidation and restructuring and solicit input.
 - September 2025: Submit a final set of recommendations for consolidation in the legislative report due on September 30, 2025.

County-Based Behavioral Health Services

- ▶ The Commission plans to review options for potential changes in this system through a careful, systematic, and incremental process to ensure any potential recommendations have a positive impact on access, alignment of systems, equity, and value.
- ▶ Timeline:
 - January - December 2025:
 - Solicit input on the strengths, gaps, and opportunities for improvement in the current county behavioral health system, and how state law impacts that system.
 - Review data on outcomes to improve the quality of the system.
 - January - June 2026: Develop policy options for improving the county behavioral health system that support the state in reaching the objectives and performance measures identified in its strategic plan.
 - July 2026 and onward: Track the impact of any implemented changes.

Rank	Recommendation	Fiscal note or RFA	Legislation required
1	Update Medicaid consensus process to include county behavioral health services Medicaid match	No	No
2	Fund up to two additional rural behavioral health receiving centers	Yes	No
3	Fund two additional Mobile Crisis Outreach Teams (MCOTs)	Yes	No
4	Develop 60-bed low-acuity treatment unit at Utah State Hospital	Yes	No
5	Increase peer Medicaid rates	Yes	No
6	Maintain rate increases for behavioral health providers	Yes	No
7	Live On Utah suicide prevention campaign	Yes	No
8	Evaluate MCOT and receiving center rates	No	No
9	Improve transports for people experiencing a behavioral health crisis between medical settings	Yes	No
10	Create a receiving center licensure	No	Yes
11	Community and clinical suicide prevention training	Yes	No
12	Continue funding for family outreach specialists at the Office the Medical Examiner	Yes	No
13	Statutory and educational changes to support law enforcement in the safe storage of firearms	Yes	Yes
14	School-based suicide prevention programs	Yes	Yes

Policy and Budget Recommendations Process

- ▷ The Commission will clarify the process for submitting recommendations in its 2024 legislative report and through communications with subcommittees in early 2024.
- ▷ Recommendations will likely be due by June 2025.
- ▷ Opportunities for feedback and questions, longer timeline in 2025.

Legislative Session Processes and Procedures

Scheduling / Notice

Scheduling

- ▷ We will meet weekly on Mondays from 9:30 - 11:30 AM
 - In-person anchor location: CCJJ Large Conference Room (East Senate Building)
 - Virtual Meeting Location: Zoom*

*The Zoom link provided will be the same Zoom link for every 2025 Legislative Session hybrid meeting for the Committee

- ▷ Committee members may attend and vote either in person or virtually
 - Virtual participation may impact ability to use proxy voting



Notice

- ▷ Agendas will be sent out at least 24 hours in advance of meeting
- ▷ Agendas will include Zoom link
- ▷ Google calendar is the easiest way to keep track of meetings

Meeting Process

Meeting Process

- ▷ Bills presented for discussion
- ▷ Mia will check Health and Human Services, Law Enforcement, and Judiciary committee meetings to see what is coming up
 - E-mail Mia with any other priorities
 - Committee members with most expertise in the area will present each bill - or we will just read the summaries
- ▷ Motions can be made by any Committee member
- ▷ Discussion and vote will follow motions

Meeting Process

- ▷ Meeting structure:
 - Mia will do a roll call vote to establish all who is present
 - Presentation of bill
 - Committee discussion
 - Public comment
 - Chair will call for a vote, ask for any opposition or abstentions
 - Roll call only if it is non-unanimous, Mia will do roll call

Meeting Process

- ▷ Attendance and voting
 - Next is an infographic that outlines the differences between member, designee, representative, and proxy

USAAV+ Council Membership as Outlined in UC 63M-7-301

- (2)(a) the attorney general or the attorney general's designee **D**
- (2)(b) one elected county official appointed by the Utah Association of Counties **R**
- (2)(c) the commissioner of public safety or the commissioner's designee **D**
- (2)(d) the director of the Division of Integrated Healthcare or the director's designee **D**
- (2)(e) the state superintendent of public instruction or the superintendent's designee **D**
- (2)(f) the executive director of the Department of Health and Human Services or the executive director's designee **D**
- (2)(g) the executive director of the State Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice or the executive director's designee **D**
- (2)(h) the executive director of the Department of Corrections or the executive director's designee **D**
- (2)(i) the director of the Division of Juvenile Justice and Youth Services or the director's designee **D**
- (2)(j) the director of the Division of Child and Family Services or the director's designee **D**
- (2)(k) the chair of the Board of Pardons and Parole or the chair's designee **D**
- (2)(l) the director of the Office of Multicultural Affairs or the director's designee **D**
- (2)(m) the director of the Division of Indian Affairs or the director's designee **D**
- (2)(n) the state court administrator or the state court administrator's designee **D**
- (2)(o) one district court judge who presides over a drug court and who is appointed by the chief justice of the Utah Supreme Court **R**
- (2)(p) one district court judge who presides over a mental health court and who is appointed by the chief justice of the Utah Supreme Court **R**
- (2)(q) one juvenile court judge who presides over a drug court and who is appointed by the chief justice of the Utah Supreme Court **R**
- (2)(r) one prosecutor appointed by the Statewide Association of Prosecutors **R**
- (2)(s) the chair or co-chair of each committee established by the council **R**
- (2)(t) the chair or co-chair of the Statewide Suicide Prevention Coalition created under Subsection 26B-5-611(3) **R**
- (2)(u) one representative appointed by the Utah League of Cities and Towns **R**
- (2)(v) the chair of the Utah Victim Services Commission or the chair's designee **D**
- (2)(w) the superintendent of the Utah State Hospital or the superintendent's designee **D**
- (2)(x)(i) one resident of the state who has been personally affected by a substance use or mental health disorder **R**
- (2)(x)(ii) one citizen representative **R**
- (2)(y)(i) one resident of the state who represents a statewide advocacy organization for recovery from substance use disorders **R**
- (2)(y)(ii) one resident of the state who represents a statewide advocacy organization for recovery from mental illness **R**
- (2)(y)(iii) one resident of the state who represents a statewide advocacy organization for protection of rights of individuals with a disability **R**
- (2)(y)(iv) one resident of the state who represents prevention professionals **R**
- (2)(y)(v) one resident of the state who represents treatment professionals **R**
- (2)(y)(vi) one resident of the state who represents the physical health care field **R**
- (2)(y)(vii) one resident of the state who is a criminal defense attorney **R**
- (2)(y)(viii) one resident of the state who is a military servicemember or military veteran under Section 53B-8-102 **R**
- (2)(y)(ix) one resident of the state who represents local law enforcement agencies **R**
- (2)(y)(x) one representative of private service providers that serve youth with substance use disorders or mental health disorders **R**
- (2)(y)(xi) one resident of the state who is certified by the Division of Integrated Healthcare as a peer support specialist as described in Subsection 26B-5-102(2)(h) **R**

Information from Rule 356-7

Member
One of 36 specifically outlined in UC 63M-7-301
15 can assign a Designee (indicated with **D**)
21 can assign a Representative (indicated with **R**)
All can assign a Proxy

Designee
Option only for indicated Members (must email USAAV+ staff)
Can attend electronically or in-person
Counts towards quorum
Votes their conscience
Acts as Member until officially changed (unless Member attends) Can't assign a Proxy

Representative
Option only for indicated Members (must email USAAV+ staff)
Can attend electronically or in-person
Counts towards quorum
Votes their conscience
Acts as Member until officially changed (even if Member attends) Can assign a Proxy

Proxy
Option for all Members and Reps (must email USAAV+ staff)
Must attend in-person
Counts towards quorum
Votes as directed by the Member or Representative
Acts as Member for single meeting



Meeting Process

- ▷ Bill positions
 - Support: Support to the bill
 - Support In Concept: Support but there's an area of concern
 - Oppose: Opposition to the bill
 - Will need an opposition statement
 - No Position: Neutral
 - Hold: Hold the bill for further information
 - Someone will need to follow up
 - Priority Support: Priority for passage
 - Beyond Scope: Not within the scope of the group's purview
- ▷ Executive agency staff must abstain from voting on any bill that the Governor's budget does not explicitly endorse or support:
 - This can lead to challenges in voting.

Bill Priority

- ▷ For the 2025 General Session, USAAV+ will prioritize review of bills that relate to the strategic priorities of the Master Plan.
- ▷ If there is a bill you would like to elevate, please let Mia (mnafziger@utah.gov) know prior to the meeting or let Mia know during the meeting.



Behavioral Health Master Plan

Strategic Priorities

- I. Support continued use, implementation, creation, and innovation of evidence-based interventions.
- II. Strengthen behavioral health prevention and early intervention.
- III. Integrate physical and behavioral health.
- IV. Improve patient, family, and consumer navigation.
- V. Continue to build out Utah's behavioral health crisis and stabilization systems.
- VI. Improve the availability of services and supports for individuals with serious mental illness and complex behavioral health needs and their families.
- VII. Expand, support, and diversify Utah's behavioral health workforce.



Running Documents

USA AV+ Committee Bill Tracker

- ▷ A list of bills tracked by the USA AV+ Committee
 - Includes current position (if any), notes on discussion, vote totals, etc
 - Will share in January
- ▷ If you want a bill added to the tracker, ask Mia
- ▷ Will be updated at least weekly



Committee Comment vs. Public Comment

Committee Discussion vs. Public Comment

- ▷ Presentation
 - Anyone with expertise may describe / present a bill to the Committee

- ▷ Committee discussion:
 - Committee members will be given an opportunity to discuss the bill in advance of a vote

- ▷ Public comment
 - Members of the public will be given an opportunity to comment in advance of a vote

Engagement with the Behavioral Health Commission

Communication with the Commission

- ▷ Staff will send the weekly USAAV+ bill tracking sheet to Commission members
- ▷ Staff will email Commission members to flag any bills that:
 - USAAV+ deems as high priority for Commission to review
 - Explicitly impact the Commission
- ▷ USAAV+ will invite Commission members to attend all weekly meetings
 - Commission members may comment on bills as members of the public during weekly meetings
 - Commission members may also communicate their input on bills via email to OSUMH staff

OPMA Processes

OPMA Processes - Generally

- ▷ Notice of each meeting posted publicly
- ▷ Recording and minutes of each meeting posted publicly

Voting Records

- ▷ We must keep a record of the vote total AND of each individual vote ([UCA 52-4-203\(2\)\(a\)\(iv\)](#))
 - Will be done through the spreadsheet
- ▷ For non-unanimous votes, we must take a roll-call (UCA 52-4-207(9))

Director/Staff Responsibilities

Director/Staff Responsibilities

- ▶ **Maintain meeting minutes/agendas/running documents**
- ▶ **Make sure proper protocol is followed according to statutes and bylaws**
- ▶ **Communicate on behalf of the Committee**
 - Opposition statements
 - Testifying at committee meetings
 - Discussing issues with legislators / working groups

