

Division of Licensing and Background Checks (DLBC) Health Facility Committee

July 28, 2026

This meeting has not started yet.



**Department of Health
& Human Services**

This meeting is being held virtually and in-person and is hosted by the Utah Department of Health and Human Services.

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Health Facility Committee

Health Facility Rule Updates

July 28, 2026

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Utah Division of Licensing
and Background Checks
(DLBC)



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The purpose of this special committee meeting is to:

01

Review process for rule updates
under DLBC

02

Review, discuss, and approve rule
updates for health facility rules
within DLBC



Statute and Rules 101

01

Definition & Authority

Administrative Rules are regulations authorized by statute that govern government programs, carrying the same effect as law. The Utah Legislature grants rulemaking authority to make, change, or repeal rules.

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DLBC Focus

Health & Safety Standards are the focus for all regulated child care, health, and human services facilities. These standards act as the vital foundation of quality and protect vulnerable populations.

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Statutory Umbrella and Rule Raincoat

Written Law (Statute) acts as an umbrella over the regulatory authority framework of DLBC. It grants broad authority to enforce all requirements for the facilities regulated by DLBC. Rules implement or interpret statute and act as a raincoat.



New Rule or Rule Update – The “Why”

01

Legislative Action

A bill or statute change that requires updating administrative rules.

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Leadership Action

Required action or direction from DLBC leadership or legal counsel.

03

Internal Review

Internal discussions and findings arising from a Five-Year Rule Review.

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Other Feedback

Feedback from providers, staff, partner organizations, or members of the public.



How does DLBC work with committees, providers, and partners to support rule updates?

01

Committee Collaboration

DLBC works with required committees to review and approve proposed new rules or rule updates:

- Adoption Consortium
- Child Care Provider Committee
- Congregate Care Committee
- Health Facility Committee

02

Partner Engagement

Additionally, DLBC actively engages provider collaboration groups and other key partners throughout the process for any significant rule change or new rule.

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Provider Alerts

DLBC sends out notifications to providers at key milestones:

- When proposed rules are published in the Utah State Bulletin for public comment.
- When rule changes are officially made effective.

Rule Style and Formatting

The Rulewriting Manual for Utah is the guiding document for rule style and formatting: <https://rules.utah.gov/help/agency-resources/rulewriting-manual/>

New rule content is underlined and content to be deleted is bracketed + includes a strikethrough:
A licensee ~~[may]~~shall submit to Office of Licensing their business license.

R432. Health and Human Services, Health Care Facility Licensing.

R432-101. Specialty Hospital - Psychiatric.

R432-101-1. ~~[Legal]~~ Authority and Purpose.

(1) This rule is authorized by Section 26B-2-202.

(2) The rule provides the standards of patient care that apply to psychiatric hospital inpatient, outpatient, and satellite services.

~~[R432-101-2. Purpose.~~

~~————— The purpose of this rule is to promote the public health and welfare through establishment and enforcement of licensure standards for the operation of a psychiatric hospital. This rule outlines standards of patient care that apply to psychiatric hospital inpatient, outpatient, and satellite services. This rule applies to a licensee that chooses to be licensed as a psychiatric specialty hospital and whose single major service is psychiatric service. If a psychiatric specialty hospital licensee chooses to have a dual service, including psychiatric and substance abuse or chemical dependency, then both of the specialty hospital rules apply.~~

~~R432-101-3. Time for Compliance.~~

~~————— Each psychiatric specialty hospital obtaining initial licensure shall comply with this rule.]~~

Timeline for current DLBC Health Facility Rule Updates

- 01 Rule updates were initially drafted with the support of subject matter experts in the division, as well as internal and external partners.
- 02 After rule updates are complete and approved by the committee, DLBC will start several layers of internal review by subject matter experts, legal counsel, and leadership. Any rule update for the Birthing Center rule requires an additional public meeting, DLBC anticipates this meeting will occur in August 2026.
- 03 After this review, proposed rule updates are published in the Utah State Rules Bulletin and open for public comment for 30 days. DLBC sends notification to providers and interested parties.
- 04 Rule updates are then made effective and DLBC sends notification to providers and interested parties. DLBC considers any public comment received and may complete a change in proposed rule to incorporate public comment into the rule.
- 05 **Target Timeline:** For these rule updates, DLBC anticipates publication in the December 2026 Rules Bulletin and proposed updates to be made effective by early 2027.

Other DLBC Rule Update Information

September 2026 Committee Meeting

DLBC will present rule updates for the following:

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R432-153 Pediatric Respite Care Facility

R432-700 Home Health Agency

R432-725 Personal Care Agency

R432-750 Hospice Rule

Birthing Center Rule

Any rule update for this rule requires an additional public meeting.

Anticipated Timeline

August or September 2026

Review Rule Update Overview Document: [Document Link](#)



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Public Comment



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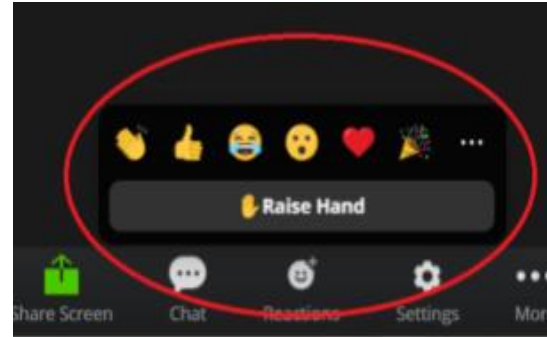
Public Comment Instructions

- Public comments is limited to 2 minutes per person.
 - If you want more time, you may request it from the chair.
- Please state your **name** and your **affiliation**.
- Comments must pertain to matters over which this body has jurisdiction.

Public Comment Instructions

How to make a comment over Zoom:

- When the chair opens public comment, use the raise hand icon on Zoom to indicate that you would like to make a comment. When you are called on, you will be taken off mute.
- Take 2 minutes to make your comment.



← Raise Hand
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Public Comment Instructions

How to make a comment in person:

- Sign the Public Comment Sign-in Sheet with your name and indicate what agenda item you want to make a comment on.
- The chair will indicate when it is time for public comment and invite you to the table.
- Take 2 minutes to make your comment.

For additional information, to make a suggestion for agenda items, or to contact staff, send an email to
DLBCboards@utah.gov



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Thanks!



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