Mission
Northern Inyo Healthcare District provides health care services to improve the quality of life and health for all we serve

Vision
Northern Inyo Healthcare District will be known throughout the Eastern Sierra Region for providing high quality, compassionate, comprehensive care in coordination with regional partners.

AGENDA

NORTHERN INYO HEALTHCARE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

August 19, 2026, 3:30 pm
Open Session scheduled to begin at 5:00 pm

The Board meets in person at 2957 Birch Street, Bishop, CA 93514. Members of the public will be allowed to attend in person or via Zoom. Public comments can be made in person or via Zoom.

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1. Call to order at 3:30 pm
2. Public comment on closed session items
3. Adjournment to closed session for:
    a. Conference Concerning Trade Secrets
       Pursuant to Health and Safety Code § 32106 and Civil Code § 3426.1
       Subject: Discussion of a new service line
       Estimated Date of Public Disclosure: August 2027
    b. Public Employee Performance Evaluation
       Pursuant to Government Code § 54957(b)(1)
       Chief Executive Officer: Christian Wallis
    c. Conference with Labor Negotiators
       Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
       Agency designated representative: Board Chair
       Unrepresented employee: Chief Executive Officer

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4. Return to open session and report on any actions taken in closed session.
5. Pledge of Allegiance
6. Public Comment: The purpose of public comment is to allow members of the public to address the Board of Directors. Public comments shall be received at the beginning of the meeting and are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker, with a total time limit of thirty (30) minutes for all public comments unless otherwise modified by the Chair. Speaking time may not be granted and/or loaned to another individual for purposes of extending available speaking time unless arrangements have been made in advance for a large group of speakers to have a spokesperson speak on their behalf. Comments must be kept brief and non-repetitive. The general Public Comment portion of the meeting allows the public to address any item within the jurisdiction of the Board of Directors on matters not appearing on the agenda. Public comments on agenda items should be made at the time each item is considered.
7. Consent Agenda – All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion unless any member of the Board wishes to remove an item for discussion.
    a. Approval of minutes for July 15, 2026 Regular Board Meeting
    b. Approval of minutes for August 5, 2026 Special Board Meeting
    c. Approval of Policies and Procedures
        i. Decorations, Receptacles, and Power Strips
        ii. Medical Staff Department Policy – Hospital Medicine
        iii. Medical Students in the OR
        iv. Mifeprex (Mifeprstone) Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategies (REMS) Program
        v. NIHD Antibiotic Stewardship Committee Charter
        vi. Pre and Post-Operative Anesthesia Visits
        vii. Scope of Anesthesia Practice
        viii. Standardized Procedure – Medical Screening Exam for the Obstetrical Patient
        ix. Telephone Triage in the Perinatal Department
8. Consideration of Credentialing Actions recommended by the Medical Executive Committee – Action Item
    a. Medical Staff Initial Appointments 2026-2027
    b. Medical Staff Telemedicine Privileges 2026-2027 – Proxy Credentialing
    c. Additional Privileges
9. Extension of Temporary Privileges for Good Cause – Action Item
    a. 30-day extension of temporary clinical privileges for Megan Smith-Zagone, MD
10. Chief Executive Officer Report
    a. Renown Leadership on Rural Health Strategy – Information Item
11. Finance Committee
    a. NIH Foundation and Auxiliary Donation – Information Item
    b. RHTP (Rural Health Transformation Project) Update – Information Item

c. Service Line Update – Information Item
d. Radiology Request for Proposal – Information Item
e. Investment Report – Action Item
f. Financial and Statistical Report – Action Item

12. Governance Committee
    a. Advocacy Update – Action Item
    b. Joint Board Meeting – Information Item
    c. Board Request for Agenda Items
        i. Code of Conduct and Civility Policy – Action Item
    d. Consideration of Changing Regular Board Meetings from Evening to Daytime Hours – Action Item
13. Quality Committee
    a. Quality Dashboard – Information Item
    b. Security Screening Update – Information Item
14. General Information from Board Members
15. Adjournment

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