BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING
Intervention Evaluation Committee
Agenda Item Summary

AGENDA ITEM: 4.0
DATE: November 19, 2026

ACTION REQUESTED:	**Discussion and possible action**: Draft minutes from prior meeting.
REQUESTED BY:	David Liu, Committee Chairperson
BACKGROUND:	Members are asked to approve the draft minutes from the September 17, 2026, Committee meeting and authorize BRN staff to make non-substantive corrections to any name misspellings or typographical errors found in the document.
ATTACHMENTS:	Minutes from IEC Meeting September 17, 2026.
NEXT STEPS:	Board staff will obtain signature of the Committee chairperson on approved minutes and then file minutes in Board records.
PERSON TO CONTACT:	Jaspreet Pabla Intervention Program Manager brn-intervention@dca.ca.gov

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING
INTERVENTION EVALUATION COMMITTEE
REGION 9 MEETING MINUTES

DRAFT

Date: Thursday, September 17, 2026

Start Time: 9:01 A.M.

Location: 2010 Main St.
First Floor Lounge Boardroom
Irvine, CA 92641

This meeting was accessible to public at above location and by remote access via teleconference platform.

9:01 A.M. **1.0** **Call to order, roll call, and establishment of a quorum**

Azar Goodarzi called the meeting to order at 9:01 A.M. The quorum was established at 9:02 A.M. All members were present, except for Nicole de Wit.

Members: Dr. David Liu, MD, Physician Member (Chair)
Dr. Joseph Ortiz, PhD, Public Member (Vice Chair)
Barbara Neefs, RN BSN, Nurse Member
Nicole De Wit, Nurse Member (absent)

Board Staff: Loretta Melby, RN, MSN, Executive Officer
Jaspreet Pabla, Intervention Program Manager
Azar Goodarzi, Intervention Unit Analyst

9:03 A.M. **2.0** **General instructions for the format of a teleconference meeting**

9:05 A.M. **3.0** **Public comment for items not on the agenda; items for future agenda**

Public Comment for Agenda Item: No request for public comment on item 3.0.

9:06 A.M. **4.0** **Review and vote on whether to approve previous meeting minutes**

July 23, 2026

Discussion: Board staff presented minutes for approval.

Motion: *Dr. Joseph Ortiz: Motion to Accept* Meeting Minutes from July 23, 2026.

Second: Dr. David Liu

Public Comment for Agenda Item: No request for public comment on item 4.0.

Vote:

Vote:	DL	JO	BN	ND
	Y	Y	Y	AB

Key: Yes: Y | No: N | Abstain: A | Absent for Vote: AB

Motion Passed

9:09 A.M. **5.0** **Information only:** Intervention Program Updates

Discussion: Board staff presented program updates.

Public Comment for Agenda Item: No request for public comment on item 5.0.

9:11 A.M. **6.0** **Information only:** Executive Officer Updates

Discussion: Loretta Melby, RN, MSN, Executive Officer mentioned that this IEC is up to date on all the trainings and she is available for any questions the IEC may have. The IEC did not have any questions.

Public Comment for Agenda Item: No request for public comment on item 6.0.

9:15 A.M. **7.0** **Discussion and possible action:** Review IEC Member Guide and Intervention Program Regulations (California Code of Regulations, Title 16, sections 1446-1449) and provide recommendations to the Board

Discussion: Board staff reviewed IEC Member regulations.

Public Comment for Agenda Item: No request for public comment on item 7.0.

9:17 A.M. **8.0** **Approve proposed 2027 IEC meeting schedule**

Discussion: **Discussion and possible action:** Approve 2027 IEC meeting schedule as proposed by staff.

Motion: Dr. David Liu: Motion to accept 2027 meeting schedule.

Second: Dr. Joseph Ortiz

Public Comment for Agenda Item: No request for public comment on item 7.0.

Vote:

Vote:	DL	JO	BN	ND
	Y	Y	Y	AB

Key: Yes: Y | No: N | Abstain: A | Absent for Vote: AB

Motion Passed

9:19 A.M. **9.0** **Closed session**

The Committee met in closed session pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 2770.10 and Government Code section 11126, subdivision (c)(2), to discuss and vote on matters related to Intervention Program applicants and participants.

12:48 P.M. **10.0** **Adjournment**

The Committee returned to open session and Jaspreet Pabla, Intervention Program Manager, adjourned the meeting at 12:48 P.M.

Submitted by:

Jaspreet Pabla
Intervention Program Manager

Accepted by:

Dr. David Liu, MD, Chair
Intervention Evaluation Committee

Please Note: Board staff prepared these meeting minutes with the assistance of artificial intelligence and conducted a full review to ensure completeness and accuracy.

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AGENDA ITEM: 5.0
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ACTION REQUESTED: Information Only: Intervention Program Updates

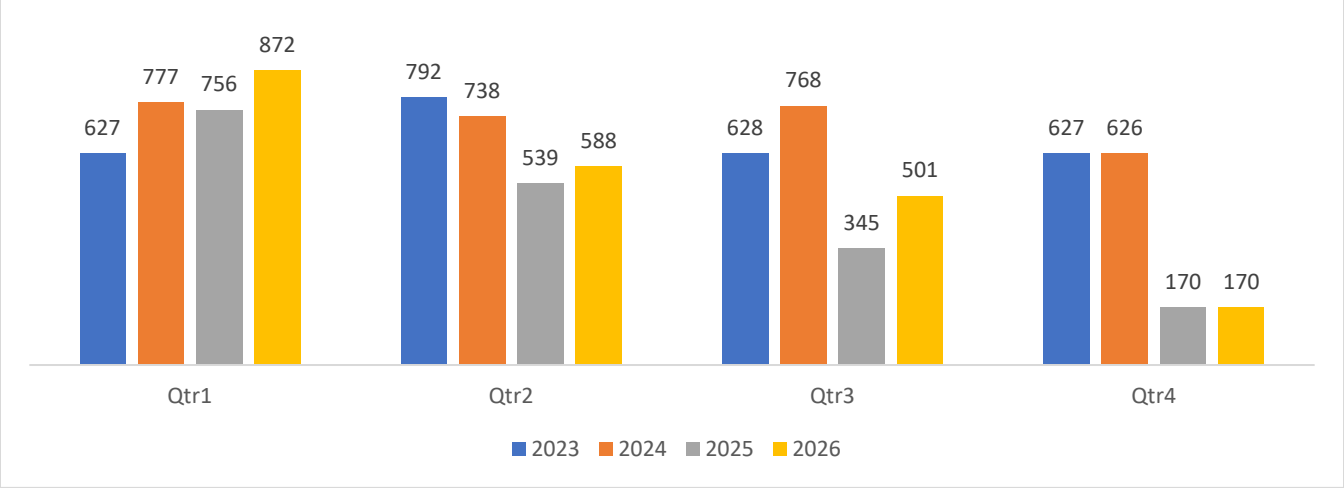
REQUESTED BY: Jaspreet Pabla, Intervention Program Manager

BACKGROUND:

General: Management continues to work with Premier Health Group, attending all Intervention Evaluation Committee (IEC) meetings, providing education to IEC members, and identifying gaps in regulation for the Intervention Program.

IEC Vacancies and Recruitment: The Board continues to recruit IEC members with knowledge and experience in treatment of substance use disorder or mental illness. To apply for an IEC position, interested parties can find the application on our website at rn.ca.gov/intervention.

Program Outreach: Board staff in collaboration with Premier staff are in the process of updating its outreach brochures and posters. The board emailed 170 outreach materials to individuals to date in Q4 of 2026.



Future Meetings: Members are asked to review the schedule for future IEC meetings and make necessary travel arrangements. IEC meetings, which require a minimum of three members to attend, are essential for reviewing reports and requests from registered nurses in the intervention program. These meetings must comply with the 2026 Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act requirements.

NEXT STEPS: Continue recruiting efforts.

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AGENDA ITEM: 6.0
DATE: November 19, 2026

ACTION REQUESTED: **Information Only:** Executive Officer Update

REQUESTED BY: Board of Registered Nursing Board

BACKGROUND:

The Board of Registered Nursing (Board) established the Intervention Evaluation Committees (IEC) under BPC 2770.2, composed of three registered nurses, one physician, and one public member. These committees operate under the oversight of the Program Manager as designated by the Board's Executive Officer (EO). The EO is responsible for carrying out duties delegated by the Board, ensuring standards are implemented and enforced, reporting on policy execution, and representing the Board to the public and media. As part of these duties, the EO has been asked to provide ongoing education and updates to IEC members to support their work.

Under BPC 2770.8(f), IECs evaluate requests from registered nurses (RNs) to participant in the intervention program, review and designate treatment services for referral, receive and review information concerning an RN participating in the program, and monitor participants' progress. IECs determine whether RNs may safely continue or resume the practice of nursing, and they make recommendations to the Program Manager regarding treatment, supervision, and monitoring requirements. IECs also have the authority to deny applicants or terminate participants when necessary.

This is a standing agenda item that the EO will use to provide education and updates to the committee regarding program participant requirements and overall program efficiencies, challenges and opportunities.

NEXT STEPS: Continue discussions

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AGENDA ITEM: 7.0
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ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion and possible action: Review IEC Member Guide and Intervention Program Regulations (California Code of Regulations, Title 16, sections 1446-1449) and provide recommendations to the Board.

REQUESTED BY: Jaspreet Pabla, Intervention Program Manager

BACKGROUND:

Board staff requests Intervention Evaluation Committees (IEC) members to review the IEC Member Guide on ongoing basis and offer feedback to staff regarding any areas where information could be developed further.

Board is responsible for onboarding and training of all IECs to ensure members are successful in their role.

The Board is seeking feedback from its IECs on regulatory changes that would help the Board better fulfill its legislative mandate.

IECs are responsible for evaluating registered nurses in the program according to the guidelines prescribed by the Board. Those guidelines, which can be found under California Code of Regulations, Title 16, §§1446-1449, currently pertain to admission criteria, procedure to review program applicants, causes for denial of admission, causes for termination from the Program as well as other requirements.

NEXT STEPS: As determined by Committee.

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