

NEVADA STATE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS (NSBAT) AGENDA AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

DATE & TIME: May 22, 2025 @ 4:30 p.m.

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PLEASE NOTE: The Board may take items out of order, combine items for consideration, and items may be pulled or removed from the agenda at any time. Public comment will be taken at the beginning and end of the meeting. The public may provide comment on any matter within the Board's jurisdiction and/or authority, whether or not that matter is a specific topic on the agenda. However, prior to the commencement and conclusion of a contested case or quasi-judicial proceeding that may affect the due process rights of an individual, the Board may refuse to consider public comment on that item. (NRS 233B.126) Public comment that is willfully disruptive is prohibited, and individuals who willfully disrupt the meeting may be removed from the meeting. (NRS 241.030(5)(b)) The Board may convene in closed session to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person (NRS 241.030). Once all items on the agenda are completed, the meeting will adjourn.

AGENDA

1. Call meeting to order and introduction of members to determine the presence of a quorum.

2. Public comment.

NOTE: Public comment is welcomed by the Board and may be limited to three minutes per person at the discretion of the Chair of the Board. Public comment will be allowed at the beginning and end of the meeting, as noted on the agenda. The Chair of the Board may allow additional time to be given a speaker as time allows and at their sole discretion. Comments will not be restricted based on viewpoint. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken (NRS 241.020)

3. Review and discuss dry needling applications with supporting documentation submitted by licensed athletic trainers and approve those who meet the statutory requirements. **(For Possible Action)**
4. Review and approve a one-page educational document for Board Investigators to use when informing event organizers and others about the value of having an athletic trainer on site. **(For Possible Action)**
5. Report from Executive Secretary, Michelle Cothrun. **(Discussion)**
6. Report from Harry B. Ward, Deputy Attorney General. **(Discussion)**
7. Future agenda items. **(Discussion)**
8. Discussion and possible decision on date of next meeting. **(For Possible Action)**
9. Public comment.

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10. Adjournment. **(For Possible Action)**

Pursuant to NRS 241.030 the board may close the meeting to consider the character, misconduct, competence, or health of a person.

Items on the agenda may be taken out of order; items may be combined for consideration by the public body; and items may be pulled or removed from the agenda at any time.

Action by the Board on any item may be to approve, deny, amend, or table.

The Board may allow for public comments after each agenda item. In consideration of others, please limit your comments to no more than five (5) minutes. Prior to the commencement and conclusion of a contested case or quasi-judicial proceeding that may affect the due process rights of an individual, the Board may refuse to consider public comment. See NRS 233B.126. Public comment options may include, without limitation, telephonic or email comment. To submit public comment, contact Michelle Cothrun at (775) 787-2636 or atrainner@nsbat.nv.gov.

The Board is pleased to make reasonable accommodations for members of the public who are disabled and wish to participate in the meeting. If accommodations are necessary, please contact Michelle Cothrun, Executive Secretary, at (775) 787-2636 no later than three (3) business days before the meeting. Board meeting correspondence and supporting materials for this public workshop may also be obtained by contacting Michelle Cothrun at (775) 787-2636 or atrain@nsbat.nv.gov or by visiting <http://nevadaathletictrainers.nv.gov/>

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NRS 241.020, ON OR BEFORE THE THIRD WORKING DAY BEFORE THE MEETING,
AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:**

- *State of Nevada, Department of Administration Public Notice website: <http://notice.nv.gov/>
- *The Nevada State Board of Athletic Trainer's website: <http://nevadaathletictrainers.nv.gov/>
- *The Board office at 6170 Mae Anne Avenue, Suite 1, Reno, NV 89523-4705

In addition, this notice/agenda was mailed, e-mailed or faxed to groups and individuals as requested.

Dry Needling Reviews

List of dry needling applications to be reviewed during the May 22, 2025 Board meeting:

#180 - Hoots



Medical Coverage Guidance, Re: Certified Athletic Trainers

Any event that has the potential for participants to sustain an “athletic injury,” a nationally certified (NATA/BOC) and Nevada licensed Athletic Trainer is strongly recommended to be utilized for the event medical coverage.

- "Athletic injury" is defined by any injury sustained by a person as a result of such person's participation in exercises, sports, games, or recreational activities, or any activities requiring physical strength, agility, flexibility, range of motion, speed, or stamina without respect to where or how the injury occurs.

What is an Athletic Trainer?

An Athletic Trainer is a professional holding specific National and State qualifications, who upon the advice and consent of a physician, carries out the practice of prevention, recognition, evaluation, management, disposition, treatment, or rehabilitation of athletic injuries. Athletic trainers specialize in sport specific injuries and are fully trained in first aid, first responder and life-saving immediate care.

***ATCs also specialize in concussion management, secondary assessments and return to play decisions in real time.*

Who is NOT an Athletic Trainer:

First Responders, EMT, EMS, Physical Therapists, Massage Therapists, Chiropractors, Nurses, etc.

Each of these medical professionals provides a different level of care and are governed by their own subsection of the State of Nevada legislation. They must proceed only within their scope of practice. These are also state licensed professionals, and it is encouraged to understand individual professional scope of practice when considering medical coverage for any event.

Are you required to hire Athletic Trainers for your event?

No. However, keep in mind that whomever you hire for your event can only practice within their legal and educational limitations. For example, nurses cannot reduce dislocations whereas athletic trainers cannot administer IV fluids. Out-of-state licensed medical professionals may or may not be legally able to work in Nevada.

If an athletic trainer is appropriate for medical coverage for your event:

- Practicing athletic trainers **MUST** be licensed by the State of Nevada to legally treat people from the public within the state to avoid injunction and potential legal action. [NRS 640B.300](#)
- There are limited exemptions to the licensure requirement. For example, an athletic trainer traveling with a specific team and treating only that team is temporarily exempt from licensure. [NRS 640B.335](#)

Any further questions or clarification can be directed to Dana Coursey dcoursey@nsbat.nv.gov or David Orr dorr@nsbat.nv.gov in Southern Nevada and Dustin Hopfe dhopfe@nsbat.nv.gov in Northern Nevada.