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### Nevada County Behavioral Health Submits Plan to Increase Treatment for Substance Use

The Federal Government has agreed to pay California Counties for increased Drug and Alcohol treatment services. In order for Nevada County to benefit from this expansion in services we needed to submit a Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) Implementation Plan to the State and Federal Government stating how we will increase the quantity and quality of local Substance Use treatment. The Nevada County Behavioral Health Department submitted its DMC-ODS Implementation Plan to the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) on September 17<sup>th</sup>. The DMC-ODS provides a continuum of care modeled after the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) criteria for substance use disorder treatment services. It enables more local control over the substance use treatment services that are available in the community and increases the accountability of all providers. Submitting the Implementation Plan to DHCS is the first step for Nevada County to begin the process of opting into the DMC-ODS. This will be followed by submitting a Fiscal Plan.

The Implementation Plan has to be approved by the DHCS and Federal Government Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. With the implementation of the DMC-ODS, the Behavioral Health Department will be able to offer more robust services; clients will be assessed for their level of care need using the ASAM criteria and placed into treatment accordingly. Treatment services will include outpatient, withdrawal management, residential, opioid/narcotic treatment, recovery, and case management. Substance use treatment providers will coordinate closely with other care providers of physical and mental health care. Individuals struggling with opioid and/or alcohol use disorder will be referred to Medication Assisted Treatment.

Opting in to the DMC-ODS is voluntary. The Nevada County Behavioral Health Department is excited to now have accomplished the first step in reaching the goal of providing DMC-ODS services. We believe this increased treatment will make our community a better place.

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### Public Health Offers Back to School Vaccination Clinics



Getting vaccinated according to the recommended immunization schedule is one of the most important things a parent can do to protect their child's health. Diseases can quickly spread among groups of children who aren't vaccinated. Whether it's a baby starting at a new child care facility, a toddler heading to preschool, a student going back to elementary, middle or high school or even a college freshman, parents should check their child's vaccination records.

When children are not vaccinated, they are at increased risk for disease and can spread disease to others in their play groups, child care centers, classrooms and communities, including babies who are too young to be fully vaccinated and people with weakened immune systems due to cancer and other health conditions.

Nevada County Public Health will be holding a "Vaccines for Children" (VFC) Back to School Clinic in both Grass Valley and in Truckee.

**Grass Valley's Back to School Clinic:** Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Veteran's Hall Multipurpose Room  
255 South Auburn Street, Grass Valley

**Truckee's Back to School Clinic:** Thursday, August 31<sup>st</sup>

9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Public Health Department  
10075 Levon Avenue #207, Truckee

The VFC Program is for children 18 and younger who are uninsured, have Medi-Cal or Medi-Cal Managed Care, or are Native American or Alaskan Native or for those whose insurance does not cover vaccines. Your child's shot record and, if applicable, Medi-Cal card will be required for vaccine administration.

Nevada County will also be holding extended regular clinic hours on August 10<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. For more information on this, please check [www.mynevadacounty.com](http://www.mynevadacounty.com) or call (530) 265-7265.

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## Cannabis Conversation: August 8th CAG Meeting Agenda



The Cannabis Regulation Community Advisory Group (CAG) has met five times since early June with the sixth meeting scheduled for next **Tuesday, August 8<sup>th</sup>**, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Foothill Events Center at 400 Idaho Maryland Road in Grass Valley. Discussion topics have covered potentially allowable activities at cultivation sites, land use and zoning considerations, and the permitting process. [Tuesday's meeting agenda](#) will focus on the cannabis as it relates to public health, water resources, and natural resources. Community members are welcome to attend the meetings in person where the CAG hears public comment from 4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Alternatively, all meetings are available to watch online, both archived and live stream on the [Cannabis Conversation website](#) and written comments can be submitted via

email to [cagmeetingcomments@migcom.com](mailto:cagmeetingcomments@migcom.com). All written comments submitted within 48 hours of each meeting are included in the meeting summary and distributed to the CAG members for review and consideration. Commenters are not required to identify themselves, per the Brown Act, and all published comments are redacted to remove personal identity. Meeting materials and related documents are available to the public on the [Cannabis Conversations website](#).

The Cannabis Regulation Community Advisory Group (CAG) was formed by the Board of Supervisors to advise the Board on the development of a permanent Cannabis Ordinance for Nevada County. This inclusive process will take into account the input of all community stakeholders. Nevada County has contracted [MIG](#) as a consultant during this process. MIG is providing facilitation services for the Cannabis Regulation Community Advisory Group to ensure a fair and equitable process while advising and drafting a new Cannabis Ordinance.

Please visit the [Cannabis Conversation webpage](#) for up-to-date information.

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## Nevada County Elections SB 450 Committees

The Nevada County Elections Department is establishing three advisory committees to meet requirements for the [California Voter's Choice Act, SB 450](#). Nevada County has been selected as one of 14 pilot counties who will be implementing the election changes in 2018. The three committees will be Language Accessibility, Voter Accessibility, and Voter Education and Outreach.

The first meetings will be held on Tuesday, August 29, 2017 in the Providence Mine Room A at the Rood Center located at 950 Maidu Avenue, Nevada City. The Voter Education and Outreach Committee will meet from 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., the Language Accessibility Committee will meet from 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. and the Voter Accessibility Committee will meet from 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Interested Nevada County residents are encouraged to sign-up either by calling the Elections office at (530) 265-1298, or by email [elections.mail@co.nevada.ca.us](mailto:elections.mail@co.nevada.ca.us)

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## Gold Country Stage Free Fare Days August 9-13



County of Nevada Transit Services has received a Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) air quality grant that provides public transit funding assistance for projects that help reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve mobility. To support that objective Gold Country Stage will provide FREE FARE shuttle buses to the Nevada County Fair August 9-13, 2017. (Free fare on

Fair Shuttles only)

The **Grass Valley Shuttle Bus** runs Wednesday through Sunday and departs from the Tinloy Transit Center starting at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, and 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 8<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. The Grass Valley Shuttle runs every 30 minutes with stops at Church and Neal Streets, the Pine Creek and K-Mart Shopping Centers and the Tinloy Transit Center. Last departure from the Fair is 10:30 p.m.

Complete bus schedules are available in the [Gold Country Stage Rider's Guide](#) or call the office (530)477-01013 x 0 for travel planning information.

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## Solar Eclipse Events at the Library



Come learn about the upcoming solar eclipse at the library! We have several educational and hands-on art programs relating to the eclipse and the sun in the weeks leading up to the August 21<sup>st</sup> eclipse. You can also pick up your very own pair of eclipse viewing glasses at any solar eclipse related event at the library (while supplies last).

**August 14:** Nevada City Eclipse Party: Big Earth, Small Moon and cookie decorating. Come learn about how we see a solar eclipse when the sun, earth, and moon are in alignment and decorate some delicious sun shaped cookies.

**August 16:** Create a sun-catcher to harness the solar rays at the Bear River Station library from

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

**August 17:** Sun-catcher making at the Grass Valley Library from 3:30 - 4:30pm

**August 19:** Awesome Eclipse Viewer Maker Challenge and Sun Print Art Party from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at the Grass Valley Library. We provide the supplies, you bring the creativity. There are awards to be given and prizes to be had for the wackiest viewers designed.

For more information, contact Crystal Miles, Grass Valley Branch Manager, at (530) 470-2692.

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## Virtual Realty Arrives at the Nevada County Community Library



Thanks to a grant from the California State Library the Virtual Reality Experience has arrived in Nevada County. The grant, managed by Califa and supported in part by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, provides an Oculus Rift virtual reality system and an Oculus ready computer to the Nevada County Community Library. The system is currently available for exploration at the Madelyn Helling Library through August 12<sup>th</sup>. Virtual Reality drop-in sessions are available on Saturday's from 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., and Tuesday through Friday from 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

The Virtual Reality Experience will travel to:

- Penn Valley Station Library on August 16<sup>th</sup>
- Truckee Library on August 23<sup>rd</sup>
- San Juan Ridge Community Library on August 24<sup>th</sup>
- Grass Valley Library on August 29<sup>th</sup> - September 9<sup>th</sup>

All times for drop-in exploration are posted in the Library event calendar.

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