



## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** August 9, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Deschutes County Behavioral Health Advisory Board Bylaws

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

Move approval of Board signature of the Deschutes County Behavioral Health Advisory Board Bylaws.

**BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

The Deschutes County Behavioral Health Advisory Board is a public body for the purpose of ORS Chapter 192 b., Authority to Make Recommendations to a Public Body, and is subject to the statutory procedures related to public records and meetings. Meetings are held the third Friday of every month.

The core functions of the Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB) are to serve as a bridge of communication and advocacy between the community and the Board of County Commissioners to improve the quality of current and future behavioral health services. BHAB members are required to have lived experience and help guide the County's work by understanding the Health Services budget and strategic plan, continuously learning about behavioral health legislation that significantly affects the community, participating in periodic program reviews and site visits by state agencies and grantors, and bringing awareness to the community about BHAB.

**BUDGET IMPACTS:**

None.

**ATTENDANCE:**

Holly Harris, Deputy Director, Behavioral Health