

BHSFG Commission Meeting

Kalispell, MT

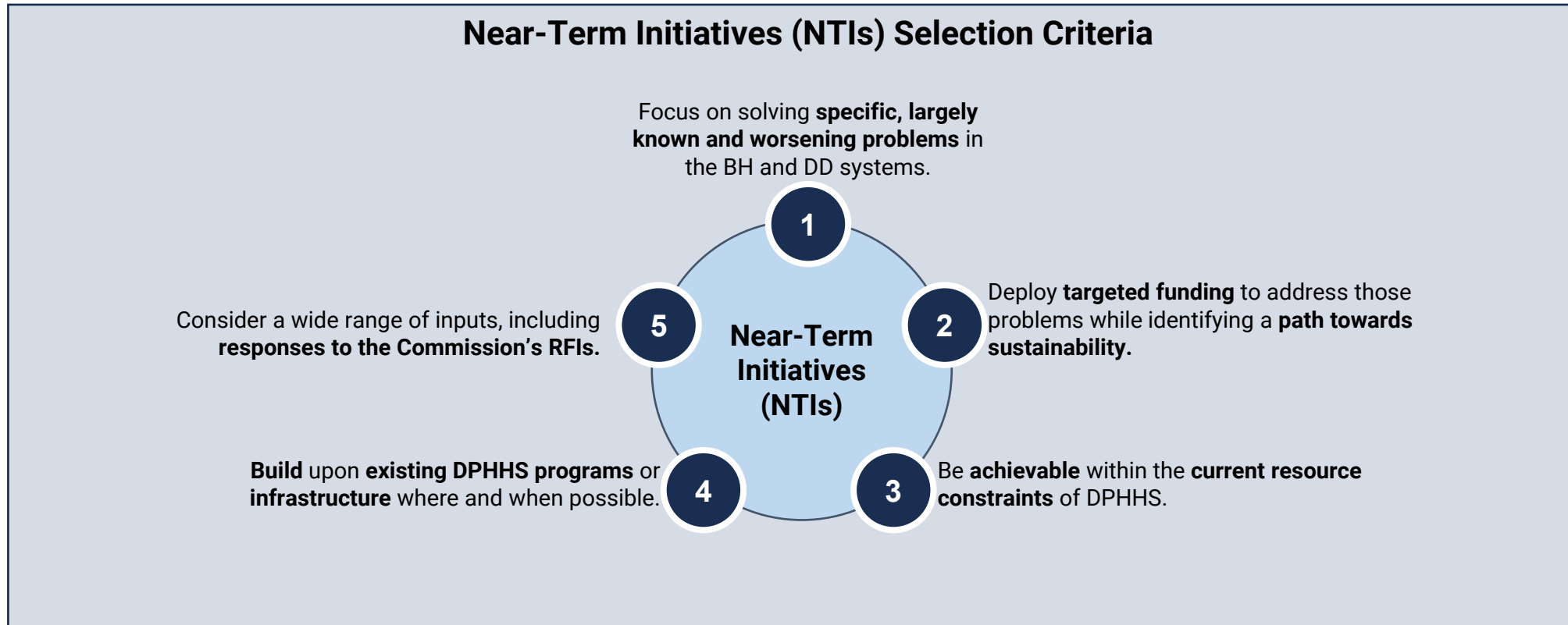
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**PUBLIC HEALTH &
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Near-Term Initiatives | Summary

Near-Term Initiatives (NTIs) reflect common sense, actionable ideas to address largely known and worsening gaps in Montana’s behavioral health and developmental disabilities systems. DPHHS can begin implementing these NTIs now, in parallel with developing its final Report. Upon Commission recommendation and approval by the Governor, DPHHS can begin implementing these NTIs now while the Commission continues development of its final report.



Near-Term Initiatives | Progress Update and Next Steps

The Commission approved two NTIs at its meeting in October: a grant program for providers of residential settings, and a grant program for communities to accelerate forensic court ordered-evaluations. These NTIs are described below, along with status updates and anticipated next steps.

NTI	DPHHS Contact	Description	Recipients	Funding ¹	Status	Next Steps
Residential Settings Grants	Brett Carter	One-time grants aimed at increasing and building sustainable residential bed capacity	Residential Setting Providers	\$10M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submitted to Governor’s Office DPHHS developing grant application 	Complete application development and post online (anticipated January 2024)
Community-Based Court-Ordered Evaluation (COE) Grants	Brett Carter	One-time grants aimed at incentivizing community-based court-ordered forensic fitness evaluations	Counties	\$7.5M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submitted to Governor’s Office DPHHS developing grant application 	Complete application development and post online (anticipated January 2024)

1. Funding shows the total amount that may be awarded under each program; DPHHS will likely make multiple awards.