



# RULES WORKSHOP

Behavioral Health Support Specialist

# Presenters

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# Communication Avenues

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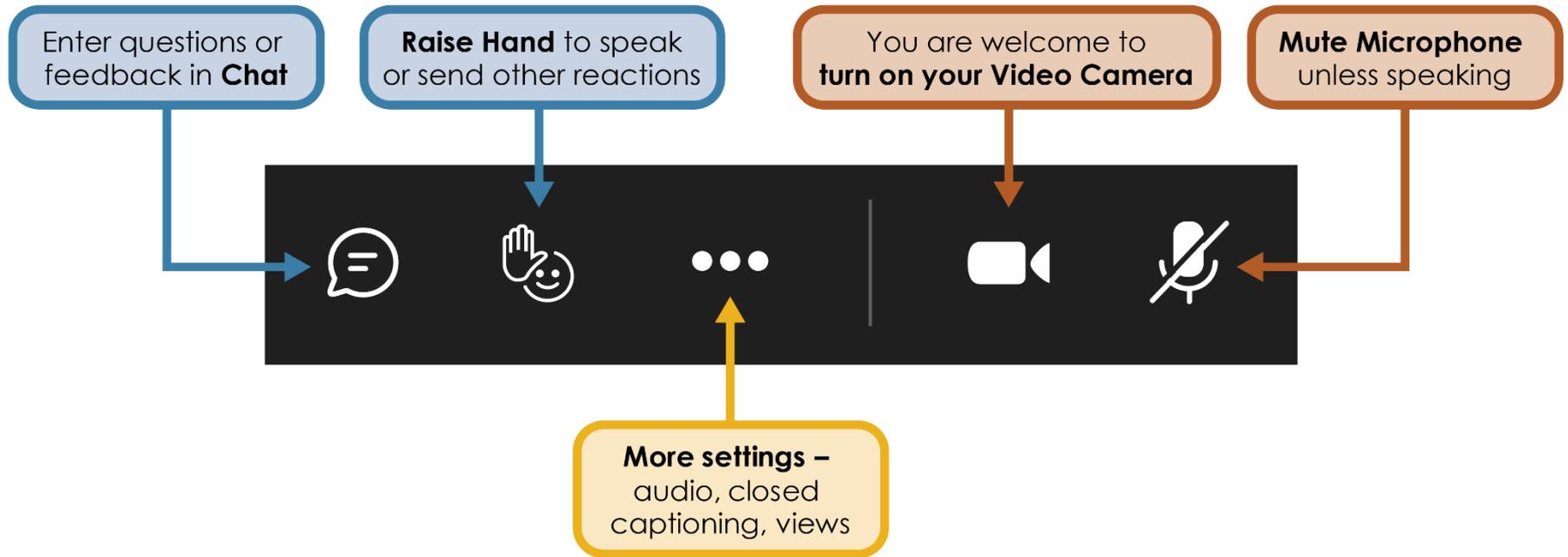
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# MEETING GUIDELINES

# MS Teams Features We Will Use Today



## Tips

- Try to be present
- State your name before speaking
- Speak clearly



# WORKSHOP OVERVIEW

# Agenda

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1. Overview
2. Future Workshops
3. Fees
4. Continuing Education Draft Language

# Bill Overview

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Substitute Senate Bill 5189 (2023) established a new profession: Behavioral Health Support Specialist (BHSS)

- Must be implemented by January 1, 2025
- Establishing a profession requires:
  - Communication avenues (email, website, etc)
  - Rulemaking
  - Setting fees
  - Creating credentialing process and application packet
  - FAQs

# Approximate Timeline

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File a new CR101 – completed July 2023

Rules workshops – Fall 2023 and Spring 2024

File CR102 – Summer 2024

Public Hearing – Fall 2024

File CR103 – November 2024

New BHSS credentials available – January 1, 2025



# RULES WORKSHOPS

# Topics of Discussion

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- Supervisor requirements (new draft language)
- Professional Standards (completed)
- Continuing Education
- Fees
- Practicum

# Dates and Topics

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Date	Time	Topic
Feb 13	11:30 am	Overview/Supervisor Requirements
Feb 14	5:00 pm	Supervisor Requirements
Feb 15	11:30 am	Supervisor Requirements
Feb 20	11:30 am	Professional Standards
Feb 21	5:00 pm	Professional Standards
Feb 22	11:30 am	Fees/Continuing Education
Feb 27	11:30 am	Fees/Continuing Education Recap and Practicum
Feb 28	5:00 pm	Practicum
Feb 29	11:30 am	Practicum
Mar 5	11:30 am	Supervisor Requirements (new draft language)
Mar 6	5:00 pm	Tentative
Mar 7	11:30 am	Tentative



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# CONTINUING EDUCATION

Questions?

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