



## NAPHS HOSTS *THE* POLICY MEETING FOR LEADERS OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE PROVIDER ORGANIZATIONS

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### PART 2: CAPITOL HILL BRIEFING

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#### Rep. Barber's Legislative Director Emphasizes Importance of Hill Visits.



In a Capitol Hill briefing during the 2014 NAPHS Annual Meeting, **Lauren Alfred** (left), legislative director for **Rep. Ron Barber** (D-AZ) encouraged NAPHS Annual Meeting participants to visit their congressional offices. (8645)

She noted that advocacy for mental health and addiction issues will help Congress better understand the need for action.

At the briefing, NAPHS Annual Meeting attendees had the opportunity to ask

questions about issues being addressed on Capitol Hill, including legislation on health information technology. NAPHS Director of Legislative and Regulatory Affairs **Nancy Trenti** chaired the discussion. (8615)



#### NAPHS Members Take the Behavioral Health Message to Hill Offices

Following the briefing, NAPHS attendees visited their congressional representatives to advocate for a wide variety of behavioral health issues.

Here NAPHS Board Member **Jim Shaheen** (second from left), founder and president of Strategic Behavioral Health, LLC, brought his team to meet with Majority Leader **Sen. Harry Reid** (D-NV) (center). Shown are Strategic Behavioral Health's **Doug Ginn** (left), executive vice president of operations; and **Mike Garone** (right), director of development. Joining them is NAPHS Director of Congressional Affairs **Nancy Trenti** (second from right).



With my best wishes,

*Harry Reid*