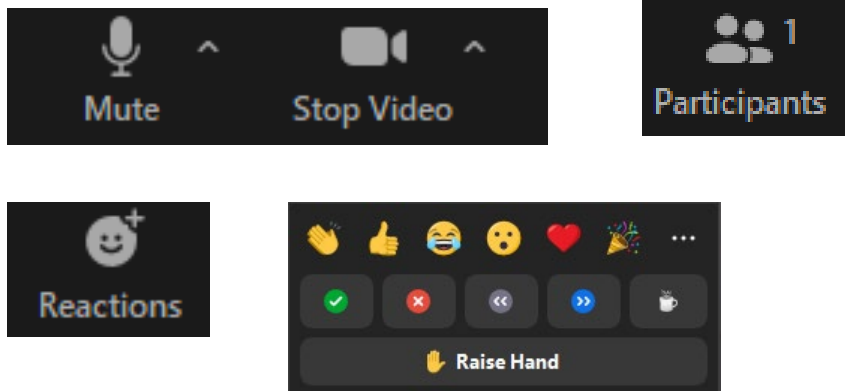




## Psychedelic Medicine Task Force

# Welcome Psychedelic Medicine Task Force members!

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## MDH staff

- **Kari Gloppen**, Epidemiologist  
Supervisor, Injury and Violence  
Prevention Section
- **Dr. Caroline Johnson**, Psychedelic  
Medicine Scientific Researcher

## Task Force leadership

- Dr. Jessica Nielson, Chair
- Bennett Hartz, Vice-Chair
- Paula DeSanto, Work Group Chair

## MAD staff

- Jessica Burke, Senior Management  
Consultant
- Nick Kor, Senior Management Consultant
- Stacy Sjogren, Senior Management  
Consultant

# Welcome meeting observers

**Thank you** for your interest in the work of the  
Psychedelic Medicine Task Force!

This meeting will not be recorded. **Minutes will be posted on the task force's website** along with other materials for this meeting:

[Psychedelic Medicine Task Force \(www.health.state.mn.us/people/psychmed/index.html\)](http://www.health.state.mn.us/people/psychmed/index.html)

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The Psychedelic Medicine Task Force was established to advise the legislature on the legal, medical, and policy issues associated with the legalization of psychedelic medicine in the state. For purposes of this work, “psychedelic medicine” means MDMA, psilocybin, and LSD.

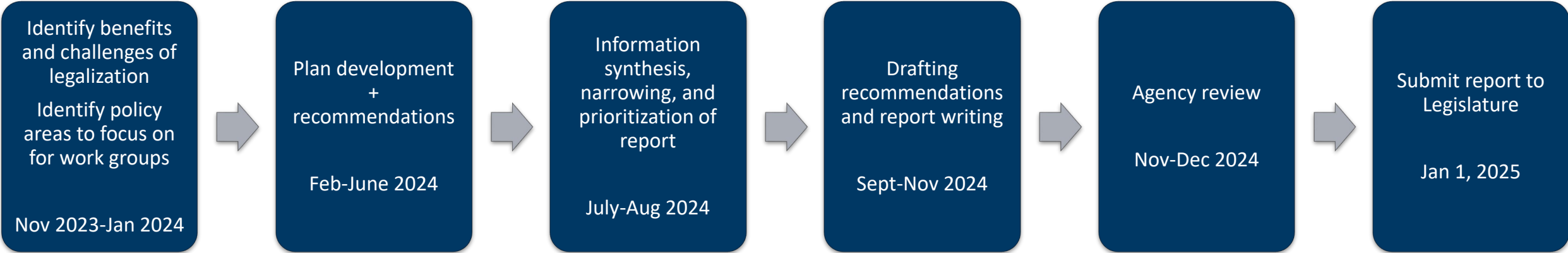
## Scientific Research

1. Survey existing studies in the scientific literature on the therapeutic **efficacy** of psychedelic medicine in the treatment of mental health conditions, including depression, anxiety, post-traumatic stress disorder, bipolar disorder, and **any other mental health conditions and medical conditions** for which a psychedelic medicine may provide an **effective** treatment option.
2. Compare the efficacy of psychedelic medicine in treating the conditions described [above] with the efficacy of treatments currently used for these conditions.

Develop a comprehensive plan that covers:

1. statutory changes necessary for the legalization of psychedelic medicine.
2. state and local regulation of psychedelic medicine
3. federal law, policy, and regulation of psychedelic medicine, with a focus on retaining state autonomy to act without conflicting with federal law, including methods to resolve conflicts.
  - Such as seeking an administrative exemption to the federal Controlled Substances Act under United States Code, title 21, section 822(d), and Code of Federal Regulations, title 21, part 1307.03; seeking a judicially created exemption to the federal Controlled Substances Act; petitioning the United States Attorney General to establish a research program under United States Code, title 21, section 872(e); using the Food and Drug Administration's expanded access program; and using authority under the federal Right to Try Act
4. Education of the public on recommendations made to the legislature and others about necessary and appropriate actions related to the legalization of psychedelic medicine in the state.

# Work cadence





# Today's agenda

- Approve June meeting minutes
- Member-collected feedback
- Decision flow chart and timeline check-in/discussion
- **Break**
- Recommendation process explanation
- Recommendations presentation and discussion, including a break

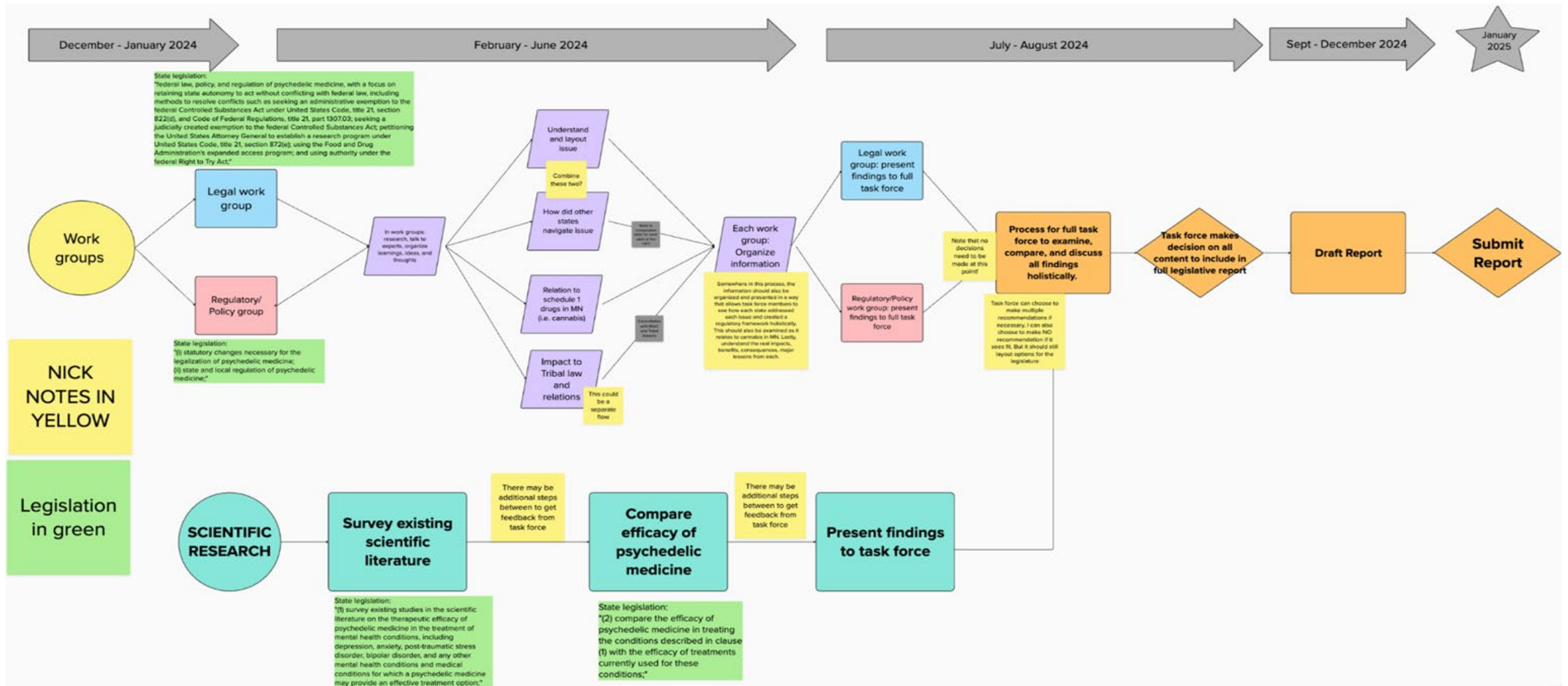
# Desired meeting outcomes

- Check in on timeline and discuss decision flow chart
- Review and discuss first round of recommendations

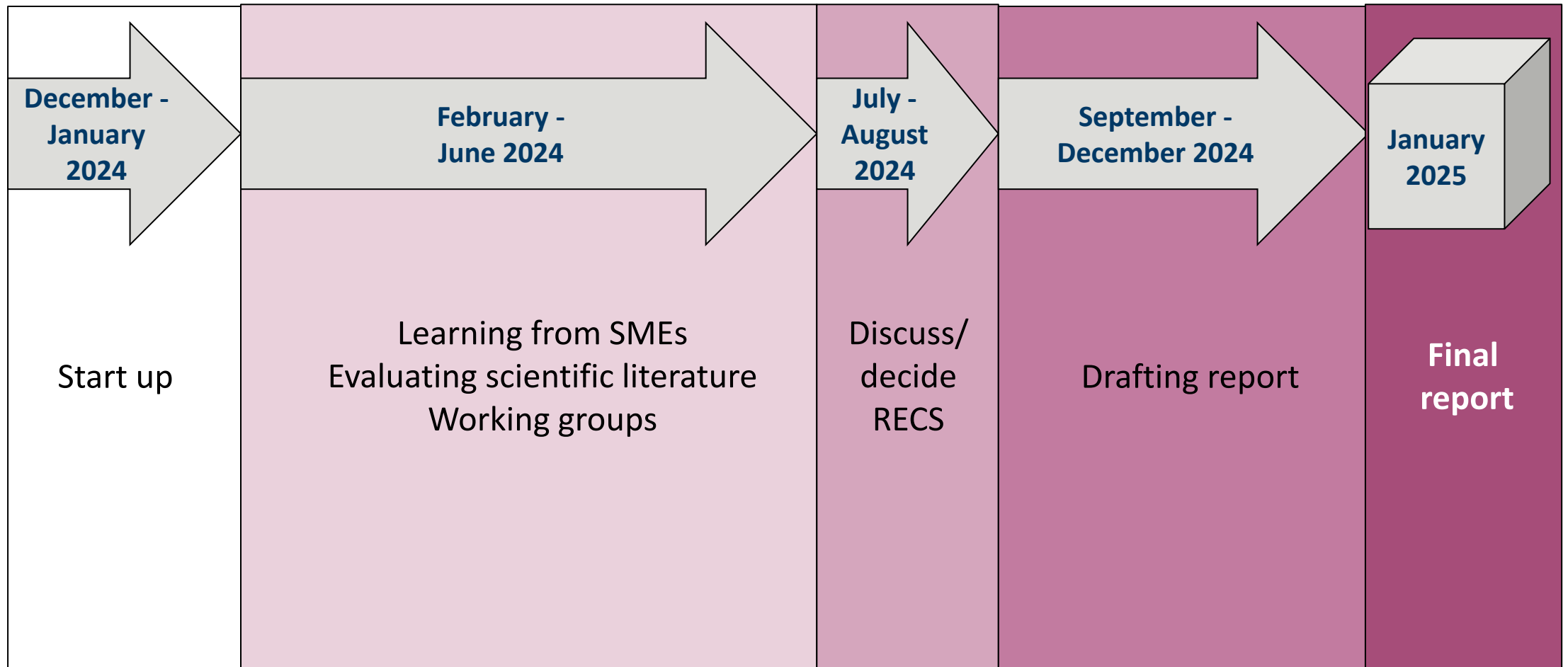
# Task Force Status Update - July 2024

Dr. Jessica Nielson | Task Force Chair

# Timeline: decision flow chart



# Timeline: simplified



# Recommendations presentation and discussion

# Decriminalization recommendations

- The task force recommends the Minnesota State Legislature decriminalize the use and possession of MDMA.
- The task force recommends the Minnesota State Legislature decriminalize the use and possession of LSD.
- The task force recommends the Minnesota State Legislature decriminalize the use and possession of synthetic psilocybin.
- The task force recommends the Minnesota State Legislature decriminalize the use, possession, and cultivation of natural psilocybin-containing mushrooms.

# Research and clinical trial recommendations

- The task force recommends the Minnesota State Legislature allocate funding for more research and clinical trials on using MDMA to treat mental health and other health conditions.
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- The task force recommends the Minnesota State Legislature allocate funding for more research and clinical trials on using synthetic psilocybin to treat mental health and other health conditions.
- The task force recommends the Minnesota State Legislature allocate funding for more research and clinical trials on using natural, psilocybin-containing mushrooms to treat mental health and other health conditions.



# Medical model recommendations

- The task force recommends the Minnesota State Legislature establish a state-regulated medical program for MDMA, similar to the state's medical cannabis program.
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- The task force recommends the Minnesota State Legislature establish a state-regulated medical program for natural, psilocybin-containing mushrooms, similar to the state's medical cannabis program.

- **Upcoming meetings**

- Second and fourth Thursdays of each month, 4:00-5:00 pm

## Next steps and adjournment

- **Opportunity for member feedback:** please leave your feedback in Mural.
- **Questions between meetings:** contact Jess Burke ([jessica.burke@state.mn.us](mailto:jessica.burke@state.mn.us))
- **Next meeting:** Monday, August 5, 2024, 9:30 am – 12:30 pm