

*Following is a written synopsis of verbal comments presented at  
Public Hearings in Charlotte, Greenville and Asheville.*

"In addition to the written comments submitted by the **Association for Home and Hospice Care of North Carolina**, I wish the following entered.

AHHC is a 40 year old trade association that represents 99% of the Home Health Agencies in the SMFP and 95% of the hospices. It is essential that improved communication and collaboration exist throughout the year and especially when the Licensure Data supplements for Home Health and Hospice are submitted to DHSR and ultimately to MFP staff for calculations and tabulations.

Working together, AHHC and MFP can identify errors and omissions by both the State and perhaps providers and work together to find solutions and correct data before it goes into DRAFT form and likewise afterwards during Public Hearings.

The following agencies below have errors or omissions in Chapter 12 of the SMFP and should be contacted to re supply or correct any missing data. Two of these are long term home health agencies and two are brand new in certified home health.

1. Bladen County Home Health **HC081 Home Health Provider: 347097**
2. Personal Home Care of NC **HC 2481** (Not listed in SMFP 2012)
3. Bayada Nurses-Raleigh **HC3820** (Listed in SMFP 2011, but not in SMFP 2012)
4. At Home Quality Care **HC0074 Home Health Provider: 347192**

Also, AHHC strongly supports adjusted need petitions regarding hospice care especially Hospice and Palliative Care of Iredell, Carolina East Home Care and Hospice and Hospice of Rockingham County as they wish to convert and/or add GP Hospice beds (from Residential). Please continue progress made in working with both the Association for Home and Hospice Care of North Carolina and the Carolinas Center to improve the home health and hospice data and maintain integrity."

Respectfully submitted

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