

March 6, 2008
Quality, Access and Value Work Group Meeting

Charge to the Quality, Access, and Value Work Group

The charge to the Quality, Access and Value Work Group is to propose a restatement of the basic principles governing the development of the State Medical Facilities Plan.

Guidelines and Considerations:

- 1) Changes in the health care environment require emphasis on quantification, accountability, and interrelatedness of the basic principles, with particular attention to emerging standardized quality measures. The core governing principles must be retained, but with some adjustment of emphasis: promote high quality health care services as measured by outcomes and satisfaction, promote equitable access to health care services for all North Carolina's people, and promote high value practices that will maximize the health care benefit gained for resources expended.
- 2) The detailed restatement of these principles should define a process in which these goals are achieved through a competitive health care market, in which successful providers prevail by offering the best balance of quality, access and value to North Carolina's health care consumers.
- 3) The restatement of the basic principles should be unambiguous and with sufficient clarity to enable the basic principles to reliably serve as a reference guideline for the SHCC when it considers any policy or methodology inclusion, elimination, and/or modification.