



**State Health Coordinating Council Minutes - DRAFT**  
**September 3, 2014**  
**10:00 a.m. – 12 Noon**  
**Brown Building Room 104, Raleigh, North Carolina**

Medical Facilities Planning Branch

Members Present : Dr. Christopher Ullrich; Trey Adams; Christina Apperson; Don Beaver, Peter Brunnick; Douglas Cody; Stephen DeBiasi; Dr. Mark Ellis; Dr. Sandra Greene; Kurt Jakusz; Representative Donny Lambeth; Stephen Lawler; Dr. Robert McBride; Denise Michaud; Dr. Jeffrey Moore; Dr. Jaylan Parikh; Dr. Prashant Patel; Dr. Karl Pete; Dr. T.J. Pulliam; Gloria Whisenhunt
Members Absent : Dr. Richard Akers; Senator Ralph Hise; Kelly Hollis; Kenneth Lewis
Medical Facilities Planning Branch Staff Present: Nadine Pfeiffer; Paige Bennett; Elizabeth Brown; Amy Craddock; Tom Dickson; Kelli Fisk DHSR Staff Present: Drexdal Pratt; Martha Frisone; Gloria Hale
AG's Office: Derek Hunter

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<b>Welcome &amp; Announcements</b>	<p>Dr. Ullrich welcomed council members, staff and visitors to the third meeting of the planning cycle for the N.C. 2015 State Medical Facilities Plan. He acknowledged this meeting was open to the public but was not a public hearing. Dr. Ullrich stated that the focus of the meeting was an overview of the public hearings and statements from each committee chair on petitions and comments received during the public hearings.</p> <p>Dr. Ullrich asked the council members and staff for a brief introduction.</p>		
<b>Review of Executive Order No. 46 Reauthorizing the State Health Coordinating Council</b>	<p>Dr. Ullrich gave an overview of the procedures to observe before taking action at the meeting. He inquired if anyone had a conflict or needed to declare that they would derive a benefit from any matter on the agenda or intended to recuse themselves from voting on the matter. Dr. Ullrich asked members to declare conflicts as agenda items came up. There were no recusals.</p>		
<b>Approval of Minutes from May 28, 2014</b>	<p>A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of May 28, 2014.</p>	<p>Dr. Pulliam Ms. Michaud</p>	<p>Motion approved</p>

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<b>Overview of Public Hearings</b>	<p>Mr. Pratt gave a brief overview of the public hearing that took place in July. Mr. Pratt stated there were six public hearings across the state. The public hearings were attended by various staff of the Medical Facilities Planning Branch and Certificate of Need Section.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• July 8, 2014, Wilmington, New Hanover Regional Medical Center <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 5 SHCC members attended; Dr. Pulliam presided</li> <li>○ 8 members of the public attended; 4 speakers</li> </ul> </li> <li>• July 11, 2014, Greensboro, The Women’s Hospital <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 5 SHCC members attended; Mr. Lawler presided</li> <li>○ 15 members of the public attended; 6 speakers</li> </ul> </li> <li>• July 15, 2014, Asheville, Mountain Area Health Education Center <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 6 SHCC members attended; Ms. Apperson presided</li> <li>○ 8 members of the public attended; 4 speakers presented, 5 comments</li> </ul> </li> <li>• July 18, 2014, Charlotte, Carolinas College of Health Science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 5 SHCC members attended; Dr. Pulliam presided</li> <li>○ 10 members of the public attended; 6 speakers</li> </ul> </li> <li>• July 22, 2014, Greenville, Pitt County Office Building <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 3 SHCC members attended; Ms. Apperson presided</li> <li>○ 8 members of the public attended; 3 speakers</li> </ul> </li> <li>• July 30, 2014, Dorothea Dix Campus, Brown Building, Raleigh <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 8 SHCC members attended; Dr. Greene presided</li> <li>○ 30 members of the public attended; 10 speakers presented, 12 comments</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Overall 18 out of 24 SHCC members were able to attend at least one public hearing.</p>		
<b>Recommendations from the Long-Term &amp; Behavioral Health</b>	Dr. Pulliam provided a brief summary of the petitions and comments the committee received.		

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	<p><u>Chapter 10 – Nursing Care Facilities</u> One petition related to nursing home beds was received. Bermuda Village Retirement Community requested an adjusted need determination for 12 nursing home beds in Davie County. No comments were received and seventy letters of support were submitted.</p> <p><u>Chapter 11 – Adult Care Homes</u> No petitions or comments were received.</p> <p><u>Chapter 12 – Home Health Services</u> Two petitions related to Home Health Services were received. The first petition was received from Myriad Homecare Agency (MHA) requesting an adjusted need determination for one home health agency or office in Wake County to address the special needs of the Hispanic-Latino population in the 2015 SMFP. Three comments were received about this petition.</p> <p>The second petition was from Triangle Orthopaedic Associates, PA that requests an adjusted need determination in the 2015 SMFP for one Medicare-certified home health agency or office in Wake, Durham, or Orange County, to coordinate post-acute care for orthopaedic surgery program, as part of a demonstration project. Three comments were received about this petition.</p> <p><u>Chapter 13 – Hospice Services</u> Three petitions related to Hospice Services were received. The first petition was received from Burke Hospice &amp; Palliative Care requesting a need determination for three hospice inpatient beds in Burke County. One comment was received about this petition and 47 letters of support.</p> <p>The second petition was submitted by Caldwell Hospice and Palliative Care. The petitioner requested an adjusted need determination of three hospice inpatient beds for Caldwell County be included in the 2015 SMFP. Two comments were received.</p> <p>The third hospice service petition was submitted by Richmond County Hospice, Inc. requested a need determination for 3 hospice inpatient beds in Richmond County. Two comments were submitted regarding this petition.</p>		

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	<p><u>Chapter 14 – End-Stage Renal Disease Dialysis Facilities</u> No petitions or comments were received.</p> <p><u>Chapter 15 – Psychiatric Inpatient Services</u> No petitions or comments were received.</p> <p><u>Chapter 16 – Substance Abuse Services</u> No petitions or comments were received.</p> <p><u>Chapter 17 – ICF/IID</u> No petitions or comments were received.</p> <p>Dr. Pulliam stated the committee would provide recommendations to the State Health Coordination Council in preparation for the Proposed 2015 SMFP at the October 1, 2014 meeting.</p>		
<p><b>Recommendations from the Technology and Equipment Committee</b></p>	<p>Dr. Ullrich provided a brief summary of the petitions and comments received during the public hearings in July 2014.</p> <p><u>Chapter 9 – Positron Emission Tomography Scanner (PET)</u> One petition was received from Novant Health, Inc. and Medquest Associates, Inc. that requested language changes for the <i>Policy TE-1: Conversion of Fixed PET Scanners to Mobile PET Scanners</i>. Three comments were received regarding this petition, including one from the petitioner. Additionally, four comments were received about the policy.</p> <p><u>Chapter 9 – Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)</u> One petition was received from Carolinas HealthCare System that requested the need determination for one fixed MRI Scanner in Lincoln County be removed from the Proposed 2015 SMFP. No comments were received.</p> <p><u>Chapter 9 – Cardiac Catheterization</u> Two petitions were received on this section. The first was from Rex Healthcare requesting an adjusted need determination in Wake County for one fixed cardiac catheterization machine. There were two comments received regarding this petition and 42 letters of opposition.</p>		

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	<p>The second petition was from WakeMed Health and Hospitals requesting no adjusted need determination for cardiac catheterization in Wake County. There was one comment received about this petition.</p> <p><u>Chapter 9 - Lithotripsy</u> No petitions or comments were received.</p> <p><u>Chapter 9 – Gamma Knife</u> No petitions or comments were received.</p> <p><u>Chapter 9 – Linear Accelerator</u> No petitions or comments were received.</p> <p>Dr. Ullrich stated in conclusion, the committee would provide recommendations to the State Health Coordination Council in preparation for the Proposed 2015 SMFP at the October 1, 2014 meeting.</p>		
<p><b>Recommendations from the Acute Care Services Committee</b></p>	<p>Dr. Pete provided a brief summary of the petitions and comments received during the public hearings in July 2014.</p> <p><u>Chapter 5 – Acute Care Hospital Beds</u> One petition was received for acute care hospital beds. Cape Fear Valley Medical Center requested an adjusted need determination to decrease the need for 82 beds in Cumberland County to zero. One comment was received regarding this petition, this was from the petitioner.</p> <p>Two additional comments were received regarding the acute care hospital bed needs in the Proposed 2015 SMFP.</p> <p><u>Chapter 6 – Operating Rooms</u> Two petitions were received for operating rooms. The first was received from Blue Ridge Bone and Joint. They submitted a petition requesting a demonstration project for a single specialty, two operating room, ambulatory surgical facility in Buncombe, Madison, and Yancey Counties. Three comments were received in response to this petition, one from the petitioner.</p>		

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	<p>The second petition was received from Wilmington Health, PLLC. This was a petition requesting a need adjustment for two operating rooms in New Hanover County. Two comments were received regarding this petition.</p> <p><u>Chapter 7 – Other Acute Care Services</u> No petitions or comments were received.</p> <p><u>Chapter 8 – Inpatient Rehabilitation Services</u> No petitions or comments were received.</p> <p>Dr. Pete stated the committee would provide recommendations to the State Health Coordination Council in preparation for the Proposed 2015 SMFP at the October 1, 2014 meeting.</p>		
<b>Other Business</b>	<p>Dr. Ullrich reviewed the remaining meetings for 2014; Technology and Equipment Committee meeting September 9, Long Term-Behavioral Health Committee meeting September 16, Acute Care Services Committee meeting September 17 and the final SHCC meeting October 1. Dr. Ullrich reminder everyone these meeting would be held in the Brown Building in conference room 104, beginning at 10:00 am.</p> <p>Mr. Pratt stated due to budget reductions with the Department, Medical Facilities Planning Branch has lost one vacant Planner position and the committee work will be shifted around. The committees will have some structural changes from a staffing standpoint. Mr. Pratt stated the structural changes would be provided at the October 1 meeting.</p> <p>There was no other business.</p>		
<b>Adjournment</b>	Dr. Ullrich asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.	Dr. Patel Mr. Beaver	