



## Technology & Equipment Committee Minutes

May 7, 2014

10:00 am

Brown Bldg Room 104

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT:</b> Dr. Christopher Ullrich, Trey Adams, Dr. Richard Akers, Kelly Hollis, Dr. Jeffrey Moore
<b>MEMBERS ABSENT:</b> Senator Ralph Hise, Dr. Prashant Patel
<b>Staff Present:</b> Paige Bennett, Elizabeth Brown, Tom Dickson, Andrea Emanuel, Kelli Fisk, Nadine Pfeiffer,
<b>DHSR Staff Present:</b> Drexdal Pratt, Martha Frisone, Lisa Pittman
<b>AG's Office:</b> June Ferrell, Derek Hunter

Agenda Items	Discussion/Action	Motions	Recommendations/ Actions
<b>Welcome &amp; Introductions</b>	Dr. Ullrich welcomed members, staff and visitors to the meeting and asked members and staff to introduce themselves. He noted the meeting was open to the public, but that the meeting did not include a public hearing. Therefore, discussion would be limited to members of the committee and staff.		
<b>Review of Executive Order No. 46: Reauthorizing the State Health Coordinating Council</b>	<p>Dr. Ullrich reviewed the Executive Order 46 Reauthorizing the State Health Coordinating Council and gave an overview of the procedures to observe before taking action at the meeting. Dr. Ullrich 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 review the agenda and declare any conflicts on today's agenda. There were no recusals.</p> <p>Dr. Ullrich stated that if a conflict of interest, not on the agenda, came up during the meeting that the member with the conflict of interest would make a declaration of the conflict.</p>		
<b>Approval of April 23, 2014 Minutes</b>	A vote was taken to approve the minutes.		Minutes approved

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<p><b>Cardiac Catheterization Equipment - Chapter 9</b></p>	<p>Ms. Bennett noted there was one petition submitted for Cardiac Catheterization Equipment section of Chapter 9.</p> <p><u>Petition: Rex Healthcare</u> The petitioner requests changes to steps 5 and 6 of the Cardiac Catheterization Methodology One so that “the threshold for additional cardiac catheterization equipment be applied to each hospital, or in the case of hospitals under common ownership in the same service area, to each group of hospitals.” The change would also generate a need determination any time a facility exceeds the 80% utilization threshold without regard to the utilization of other facilities in the service area. Additionally, the petitioner requests the addition of new language to the methodology regarding qualified applicants for certificates of need for cardiac catheterization equipment.</p> <p>There were two comments received with this petition. Both were in opposition of the petition.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Committee Recommendations</u> A vote was taken to deny the petition</p> <p>Ms. Bennett stated that applying the proposed methodology to last year’s data generated two needs. One in New Hanover county, where last year they successfully petitioned to have it removed since the facility found it unnecessary. Ms. Bennett stated the second need was in Cumberland County.</p> <p>Ms. Bennett noted the total volume of cardiac catheterization procedures performed with fixed equipment in North Carolina has declined steadily since 2005.</p> <p>Ms. Bennett reviewed the data stating there were five tables with updated</p>		<p>4-0 Petition denied</p>

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	<p>data in cardiac catheterization.</p> <p>Ms. Bennett noted there was one need New Hanover in this year's plan. This was a need generated in the plan last year, but was taken out as an adjusted need determination.</p>		
<b>Positron Emission Tomography (PET) – Chapter 9</b>	<p>Ms. Bennett stated there were three tables in PET. They are on Tables 9L, 9M1 and 9M2.</p> <p>Ms. Bennett stated it is determined that there is no need for an additional fixed or mobile PET's anywhere in the state and no reviews are scheduled</p>		
<b>Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) – Chapter 9</b>	<p>Ms. Bennett stated there is one MRI table with updated data for the 2015 plan, Table 9P MRI fixed and mobile procedures MRI service area with tiered thresholds and fixed equivalents.</p> <p>Ms. Bennett noted there were three needs in Mecklenburg, New Hanover and Lincoln counties. Ms. Bennett noted there was one caveat, the total number of procedures indicated the Planning Branch was missing some mobile and freestanding fixed MRI facilities data. Ms. Bennett stated the Branch had begun the follow up process and anticipate having more complete data by the SHCC May 28<sup>th</sup>.</p>		
<b>Linear Accelerator – Chapter 9</b>	<p>Ms. Bennett reviewed Table 9G Hospital and Free Standing Linear Accelerators and Radiation Oncology Procedures, 9H LA Service Area Calculations and 9I (131) LA Service areas.</p> <p>Ms. Bennett noted There was one need for a Linear Accelerator in HSA 21 (Harnett County). Ms. Bennett stated this need was in the plan last year.</p>		

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<b>Lithotripsy – Chapter</b>	<p>Ms. Bennett stated that after utilizing data from 2014 Hospital License Renewal Applications and Registration and Inventory forms, there are 14 lithotripters in the state and there is no projected need for any additional lithotripters.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Committee Recommendations</u></p> <p>A motion was made and seconded to adopt Chapter 9 and forward it the full SHCC on May 28, 2014.</p> <p>A motion was made and seconded for staff to make necessary updates and corrections to narratives, tables and need determinations for the Proposed 2015 SMFP as new and updated data is received.</p>	<p>Dr. Akers Ms. Hollis</p> <p>Dr. Moore Mr. Adams</p>	<p>Motion approved</p> <p>Motion approved</p>
Other Business	<p>Discussion took place regarding the next meeting date, scheduled for Wednesday, September 17, 2014. Dr. Ullrich stated this meeting would be changed along with the Acute Care Committee meeting. Dr. Ullrich stated the date, time and location would be determined and communicated to Committee members.</p>		
Adjournment	<p>There being no further business, Dr. Ullrich entertained a motion for adjournment.</p>	<p>Ms. Hollis Dr. Moore</p>	<p>Motion approved</p>