



State Health Coordinating Council Meeting – D R A F T
Minutes

Healthcare Planning & Certificate of Need Section

September 6, 2017

Brown Building, Raleigh, North Carolina

Members Present: Dr. Sandra Greene (ex-officio), Trey Adams, Peter Brunnick, James Burgin, Stephen DeBiasi, Dr. Mark Ellis, Valarie Jarvis, Dr. Lyndon Jordan, Representative Donny Lambeth, Stephen Lawler, Kenneth Lewis, Brian Lucas, James Martin, Dr. Robert McBride, Denise Michaud, Dr. Jaylan Parikh, Dr. Prashant Patel, Dr. T. J. Pulliam

Members Absent: Dr. Christopher Ullrich, Chairman, Christina Apperson, Senator Ralph Hise

Healthcare Planning Staff Present: Paige Bennett, Elizabeth Brown, Amy Craddock, Tom Dickson, Andrea Emanuel, Sharetta Blackwell

DHSR Staff Present: Mark Payne, Martha Frisone, Fatimah Wilson, Lisa Pittman, Tanya Rupp, Mike McKillip, Celia Inman

Attorney General’s Office: Derek Hunter

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Welcome	<p>Dr. Greene welcomed Council members, staff and visitors to the third meeting of the planning cycle for the N.C. 2018 State Medical Facilities Plan (SMFP). She acknowledged that the business meeting was open to the public but was not a public hearing and discussion would be limited to Council members and staff.</p> <p>Dr. Greene stated the purpose of this meeting was to include an overview of the public hearings and statements by each committee chair of the petitions and comments received at the public hearings.</p>		
Announcements/ Introductions	<p>Dr. Greene asked the Council members to introduce themselves by stating their name, affiliation, and SHCC appointment type, followed by staff introductions.</p> <p>Dr. Greene announced that Mr. Jacusz has resigned his seat (Home Care Facilities Seat) and has been thanked for his service by Dr. Ullrich.</p>		

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Review of Executive Order No. 46 Reauthorizing the State Health Coordinating Council and Executive Order No. 122 Extending the State Health Coordinating Council	<p>Dr. Greene gave an overview of the procedures to observe before taking action at the meeting, as outlined in Executive Order 46. Dr. Greene inquired if any member had a conflict of interest, needed to declare if they were deriving a financial benefit from any agenda matter, or if any members intended to recuse themselves from voting on any agenda item. Dr. Greene asked members to declare conflicts as agenda items came up.</p> <p>There were no recusals.</p>		
Approval of Minutes from June 7, 2017	A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of June 7, 2017.	Mr. Burgin Mr. Lawler	Motion approved; Unanimously.
Overview of Public Hearings	<p>Ms. Frisone gave a brief overview of the public hearings that took place in July. There were six public hearings across the state. Each were attended by various staff of the Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section.</p> <p>July 11, 2017: Greensboro, The Women’s Hospital</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 SHCC members attended; Ms. Michaud presided • 14 members of the public attended; 3 speakers <p>July 14, 2017: Wilmington, New Hanover County Public Library</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. DeBiasi presided; (He was the only SHCC member present) • 13 members of the public attended; 3 speakers <p>July 18, 2017: Concord, Carolinas HealthCare System Northeast</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 SHCC members attended; Dr. Ullrich presided • 12 members of the public attended; 4 speakers <p>July 21, 2017: Asheville, Mountain Area Health Education Center</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 SHCC members attended; Ms. Michaud presided • 3 members of the public attended; 2 speakers <p>July 24, 2017: Greenville, Pitt County Office Building</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Lewis presided; (He was the only SHCC member present) • 7 members of the public attended; 3 speakers 		

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	<p>July 28, 2016: Raleigh, Brown Building – Dorothea Dix Campus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 SHCC members attended; Dr. Greene presided • 40 members of the public attended; 15 speakers 		
<p>Acute Care Services Committee Statement of Petitions and Comments</p>	<p>Dr. Greene provided a brief summary of the petitions and comments the Acute Care Committee received.</p> <p>The Acute Care Services Committee will meet on Tuesday, September 12, 2017. The committee will review and discuss ten petitions at this meeting. Related materials are posted online on the Healthcare Planning website.</p> <p>The following was a brief rundown of the petitions and comments received during the public hearings in July 2016, and the comments received by the August 10 deadline.</p> <p>CHAPTER 5: ACUTE CARE HOSPITAL BEDS One petition was received to remove the 36-bed need determination for Orange County in the Proposed 2018 SMFP. The Agency received one comment in favor of the petition.</p> <p>CHAPTER 6: OPERATING ROOMS Healthcare Planning received seven petitions and one comment to which the agency responded.</p> <p>OrthoCarolina submitted a petition regarding the Single Specialty Demonstration Project criteria. The petition was twofold: the first part requested a reduction in the charity care requirement from 7% of revenue to 5%; the second part asked that the charity care calculation exclude procedures that do not yet have a Medicare allowable amount. The Agency received three comments regarding this petition: one in favor; one opposed; and one which was opposed to the first part of the request and in favor of the second part of the request.</p> <p>Cape Fear Valley Medical Center requested an adjustment to the new operating room methodology such that the projected growth rate for surgical cases be held constant when population growth is negative. The agency received one comment in support of the petition.</p>		

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	<p>Wake Forest Baptist Health requested that the need determination for six ORs in the Proposed 2018 SMFP be reduced to four. Two comments were received: one was neutral and one was opposed.</p> <p>Duke University Health System submitted a comment regarding the definition of a “Health System” as used in the proposed OR methodology. No comments or letters were received.</p> <p>Wilmington Health submitted a petition for an adjusted need determination for two ORs in Onslow County. This petition was withdrawn on August 18.</p> <p>Graystone Ophthalmology Associates submitted a petition for an adjusted need determination for one operating room in Catawba County. The Agency received 12 letters of support from physicians in the practice. Six additional letters of support and one comment opposing the petition were received.</p> <p>Cape Fear Valley Medical Center requested an adjusted need determination for one OR in Cumberland County. The Agency received one comment opposed to the petition and one letter from Cape Fear Valley Health in favor of the petition.</p> <p>Fresenius Vascular Care (d/b/a Azura Vascular Care) and four other vascular and nephrology practices submitted a petition to request an adjusted need determination for a demonstration project to develop two ORs in each of the six HSAs to provide vascular access services for end-stage renal disease patients. The Agency received 62 letters of support. Three comments were received in opposition to the petition.</p> <p>CHAPTER 7: OTHER ACUTE CARE SERVICES No petitions or comments were received.</p> <p>CHAPTER 8: INPATIENT REHABILITATION SERVICES One petition was received requesting an adjusted need determination for 50 inpatient rehabilitation beds in HSA III. The Agency received 93 letters of support and two comments in opposition.</p>		

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	<p><i>(Dr. Amy Craddock noted an error in the report regarding the Chapter 8 Inpatient Rehabilitation Services Petition. The petition requests adjusted need determination for 50 beds not 80 beds. The error will be corrected as noted.)</i></p> <p>The committee will provide recommendations to the SHCC in preparation for the 2018 SMFP at the October 4, 2017 meeting.</p>		
<p>Long-Term & Behavioral Health Committee Statement of Petitions and Comments</p>	<p>Ms. Denise Michaud provided a brief summary of the petitions and comments the Long-Term & Behavioral Health Committee received.</p> <p>The Long-Term and Behavioral Health Committee will meet on September 8, 2017. The committee will review and discuss several petitions for adjusted need determinations at this meeting. Materials related to this report are posted online on the Healthcare Planning website.</p> <p>The following is a brief rundown of the petitions and comments received by the August 10 deadline.</p> <p>CHAPTER 10: NURSING CARE FACILITIES One Petition related to nursing home beds was received. This Petition is from Bermuda Village Retirement Community, requesting a special need adjustment to the <i>Proposed 2018 SMFP</i> for 21 nursing home beds in Davie County. Twenty-two (22) documents in support and one document in opposition to the Petition were received.</p> <p>CHAPTER 11: ADULT CARE HOMES One Petition related to adult care homes was received from Mr. Whitcomb Rummel and Ms. Christen Campbell. The Petitioners have requested a special need adjustment to the <i>Proposed 2018 SMFP</i> for 80 adult care home beds in Orange County. Seven (7) documents in support and one document in opposition to the Petition were also received.</p> <p>CHAPTER 12: HOME HEALTH SERVICES One Petition related to home health services was received. Heaven Sent Private Care, LLC requests an adjusted need determination be included for one Medicare-certified home health office in Randolph County. One document in opposition to the Petition was received.</p>		

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	<p>CHAPTER 13: HOSPICE SERVICES Four Petitions related to hospice services were received. The first Petition is pertaining to hospice inpatient beds. Transitions LifeCare requested the need determination for 14 hospice inpatient beds in Wake County be reduced to six hospice inpatient beds. One document in support of the Petition was received.</p> <p>The Agency received three Petitions regarding hospice home care. BAYADA Home Health Care, Inc. requested an adjusted need determination for a hospice home care office in Harnett County. Two documents in opposition of this Petition were also received.</p> <p>Liberty Home Care Services requested an adjusted need determination for one hospice home care office in Hyde County. One document in opposition was received and 15 documents in support were received.</p> <p>Continuum Care Hospice requested an adjusted need determination for a hospice home care office in Mecklenburg County, specifically organized and staffed to serve African American patients. The Agency received two documents in support and seven documents in opposition of the Petition.</p> <p>CHAPTER 14: END-STAGE RENAL DISEASE DIALYSIS FACILITIES No petitions or comments were received.</p> <p>CHAPTER 15: PSYCHIATRIC INPATIENT SERVICES No petitions or comments were received.</p> <p>CHAPTER 16: SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES One Petition was received. Samaritan Colony requested an adjusted need determination for 14 substance use disorder residential treatment beds for women in the Sandhills Center LME-MCO. The Agency received four letters of support.</p>		

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	<p>CHAPTER 17: ICF/IID No petitions or comments were received.</p> <p>The committee will provide recommendations regarding these petitions to the State Health Coordination Council at the October 4, 2017 meeting.</p>		
<p>Technology and Equipment Committee Statement of Petitions and Comments</p>	<p>Dr. Lyndon Jordan provided a brief summary of the petitions and comments the Technology and Equipment Committee received.</p> <p>The Technology and Equipment Committee will meet next on Wednesday, September 13, 2017. The committee will review and discuss several petitions for adjusted need determinations at this meeting. Materials related to this report will be posted online on the Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section's website.</p> <p>The following is a brief rundown of the petitions and comments received during the public hearings in July 2017.</p> <p>CHAPTER 9: POSITRON EMISSION TOMOGRAPHY SCANNER (PET) No petitions were received. Two comments were received on this Section. The first comment, from Insight Health Corp, was in support of the statewide need determination for one mobile PET scanner in the <i>Proposed 2018 SMFP</i>. The second comment from Alliance Healthcare addressed the comment from Insight Health Corp.</p> <p>CHAPTER 9: MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING (MRI) One petition was received on this section. Sentara Albemarle Medical Center petitioned to remove the need for one MRI scanner in the Pasquotank/Camden/Currituck/Perquimans service area from the <i>Proposed 2018 SMFP</i>. No comments were received.</p> <p>CHAPTER 9: CARDIAC CATHETERIZATION One petition was received on this section. Caldwell Memorial Hospital requested an adjusted need determination for one unit of fixed cardiac catheterization equipment in Caldwell County for the <i>Proposed 2018 SMFP</i>. Four letters of support were received.</p>		

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	<p>CHAPTER 9: LITHOTRIPSY No petitions or comments were received.</p> <p>CHAPTER 9: GAMMA KNIFE No petitions or comments were received.</p> <p>CHAPTER 9: LINEAR ACCELERATORS No petitions or comments were received.</p> <p>Comment by Representative Donny Lambeth: Rep. Lambeth stated that the General Assembly has asked for a study on Telemedicine/Telehealth. He also questions whether we should ask the Committee look at the evolution of Telemedicine/Telehealth, the cost, and whether there should be any adjustments to any of the regulations. He states that Telemedicine/Telehealth is an emerging topic among healthcare entities.</p>		
<p>Other Business</p>	<p>Dr. Greene announced the upcoming Adult Care Home Need Methodology meetings to discuss revision the methodology. All interested parties are invited to attend and participate in the discussion. These meetings will be held in the Brown Building, Conference Room 104 at 10:00 AM</p> <p>The following meetings have been scheduled:</p> <p>Thursday, November 2, 2017 Wednesday, December 13, 2017 Tuesday, January 23, 2018 (if needed)</p> <p>Additional information will be provided to the members of the Council and interested parties on anticipated topics for the agenda and when Healthcare Planning will begin accepting information.</p> <p>Dr. Greene reviewed the remaining meetings for 2017:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long Term and Behavioral Health Committee, Friday, September 8, 2017 • Acute Care Services Committee, Tuesday, September 12, 2017 		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technology and Equipment Committee, Wednesday, September 13, 2017 <p>The next full SHCC meeting is Wednesday, October 4 at 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>Dr. Greene reminded everyone these meetings will be held in the Brown Building in conference room 104, beginning at 10:00 am.</p> <p>There was no other business.</p>		
Adjournment	Dr. Greene adjourned the meeting.		