



Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section

Technology & Equipment Committee Minutes - **DRAFT**

Wednesday, May 7, 2025

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Teams Event

Committee Members Present: Dr. Satish Mathan - Chair, Ms. Kelli Collins, Mr. Franklin Gomez Flores, Dr. Sandra Greene (ex officio, voting)
Committee Members Absent: Mr. Mark Werner, Dr. Pamela Oliver, Dr. Toni Stewart
DHSR Healthcare Planning Staff Present: Ms. Lauren Barton, Ms. Elizabeth Brown, Dr. Amy Craddock, Dr. Andrea Emanuel, Ms. Nirali Patel
Other DHSR Staff Present: Ms. Cynthia Bradford, Ms. Gloria Hale, Ms. Crystal Kearney, Mr. Mike McKillip, Ms. Chalice Moore, Ms. Micheala Mitchell, Ms. Tanya Saporito
Attorney General's Office Representative(s) Present: Ms. Julie Faenza, Ms. Farah Raja

Agenda Items	Discussion/Action	Motion	Vote	Recommendation / Action
Welcome, Introductions and Announcements	<p>Dr. Satish Mathan welcomed members, staff, and the public to the second Technology & Equipment (T&E) Committee meeting of 2025. Dr. Mathan explained that the meeting was open to the public, but discussions, deliberations and recommendations would be limited to members of the Committee and staff. He stated that the purpose of this meeting was to review preliminary drafts of data tables and need determinations for Chapter 15 for the <i>Proposed 2026 State Medical Facilities Plan (SMFP)</i> and to vote on a recommendation to the State Health Coordinating Council (SHCC).</p> <p>Dr. Mathan stated that following this meeting, the T&E Committee's recommendations will be forwarded to all members of the SHCC for their consideration at the June 4, 2025 meeting.</p> <p>Committee members and staff in attendance were introduced.</p>			

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Review of Executive Orders: No. 46, Ethical Standards for SHCC and No. 331, Extending the SHCC	<p>Dr. Mathan reviewed Executive Orders 46 and 331 with committee members and explained procedures to observe before taking action at the meeting.</p> <p>Dr. Mathan announced that due to the requirement that all votes be done by roll call, recommendations will not be made separately for each section of the chapter. Rather, in the interest of time, there will be one vote once all reviews are complete. At that time, anyone may move to extract a specific section for separate consideration.</p>			
Approval of the April 2, 2025 Minutes	A motion was made and seconded to accept the April 2, 2025 meeting minutes.	Greene, Collins	Ayes: Collins, Gomez Flores, Greene, Mathan Nays: None	Motion approved
Cardiac Catheterization Equipment	Dr. Craddock provided a review of data tables and service area need determinations for cardiac catheterization equipment. There were no draft need determinations for this equipment.			
Gamma Knives	Dr. Craddock reviewed the data regarding the Gamma Knife section of Chapter 15. There is no need determination methodology for gamma knife.			
Linear Accelerators	Dr. Craddock provided a review of data and service area need determinations for linear accelerators. There were no draft need determinations for this equipment.			
Lithotriptors	Dr. Craddock provided review of redesigned data tables and corresponding edits to the narrative regarding lithotripters. There were no draft need determinations for this equipment.			
Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Scanners	Dr. Craddock provided the review of data tables and service area need determinations for MRI scanners. There were 12 draft need determinations for this equipment.			

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	Dr. Craddock also presented Agency staff's recommendation to remove the draft need determination in Watauga County.			
Positron Emission Tomography (PET) Scanners	Dr. Craddock provided the review of redesigned data tables, corresponding edits to the chapter narrative, and service area need determinations for PET scanners. There were two draft need determinations for this equipment.			
Recommendation to SHCC for Chapter 15	A motion was made and seconded to approve the data and draft need determinations for Chapter 15 in preparation of the <i>Proposed 2026 SMFP</i> .	Collins, Greene	Ayes: Collins, Greene, Mathan Nays: None	Motion approved without quorum*
Other Business	Dr. Mathan reminded everyone that the next T&E Committee meeting will be held via Teams on Wednesday, September 3 rd at 10:00 a.m. The next full SHCC meeting will be on Wednesday, June 4 th at 10:00 a.m. on the Dorothea Dix campus in Greg Poole, Jr. All Faiths Chapel at 1030 Richardson Drive in Raleigh.			
Adjournment	There being no further business, Dr. Mathan called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.	Collins, Greene	Ayes: Collins, Greene, Mathan Nays: None	Motion approved without quorum*

* Mr. Gomez Flores experienced technical difficulties and lost connection to the internet. This resulted in the loss of a quorum before the vote on this agenda item. He was not able to rejoin the meeting.