



## Technology & Equipment Committee Minutes

**May 11, 2011**  
**10:00 am – 12 Noon**  
 Brown Bldg Room 104

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Christopher Ullrich, Dr. Richard Bruch, Dr. Dennis Clements, Mr. Harold Hart, Mr. Laurence Hinsdale; Dr. Eric Janis, Dr. Deborah Teasley
MEMBERS ABSENT: Dr. John Holt
MFPS Staff Present: Dr. Carol Potter, Patrick Baker, Elizabeth Brown, Kelli Fisk
DHSR Staff Present: Craig Smith, Angie Matthes

Standing Agenda	Discussion	Motions	Recommendations/ Actions
Welcome & Introductions	Dr. Ullrich welcomed members, staff and visitors to the meeting. He introduced new committee member, Deborah Teasley, Ph.D. Dr. Ullrich 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		
Review of Executive Orders No. 10 and 67.	Dr. Ullrich reviewed Executive Orders No.10 and 67 “Ethical Standards for the State Health Coordinating Council” Guide, asking all members that as they introduce themselves to include if they would be recusing themselves from any items on today’s agenda.		
Introductions	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 declare conflicts as agenda items come up. At this time, Mr. Hinsdale and Dr. Christopher Ullrich recused from voting on the petition from Carolinas HealthCare System, regarding the methodology for mobile PET Scanners. No other members recused themselves from voting on any matter coming before the Committee at the meeting.		
Approval of minutes from September 8, 2010	A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes.		Minutes approved
Review of Linear Accelerator Assumptions and Methodology	Dr. Potter reviewed with the Committee the Linear Accelerator need assumptions and methodology.		

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<p>Petition: Cape Fear Valley Health System, Linear Accelerator Service Area</p> <p>Committee Discussion and Recommendation</p>	<p>Dr. Potter reviewed the Cape Fear Valley Health System petition with the committee. Cape Fear Valley Health System (“Cape Fear Valley”) requests the SHCC approve a change to the Linear Accelerator Need Methodology to make it consistent with actions taken by the SHCC in 2009 to redefine Service Areas for Acute Care Beds, Operating Rooms, Fixed MRI, and Cardiac Catheterization in the annual State Medical Facilities Plan (SMFP).</p> <p>Specifically, Cape Fear Valley requests that the following adjustments be made to Chapter 9, Linear Accelerators, in the 2012 SMFP:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hoke County be included in both Linear Accelerator Service Areas 17 and 18.</li> <li>2. The proportion of linear accelerator volume performed on residents of Hoke County be assigned to Cumberland County in Linear Accelerator Service Area 18 when such volume is performed on a linear accelerator in Cumberland County.</li> <li>3. The proportion of linear accelerator volume performed on residents of Hoke County be assigned to Moore County in Linear Accelerator Service Area 17 when such volume is performed on a linear accelerator in Moore County.” (Cape Fear Valley petition, page 1)</li> </ol> <p>Dr. Ullrich stated that in the past the committee has treated the agency recommendations as a motion to be voted on without a second. Dr. Ullrich stated that unless the committee wishes to treat this differently he would call the question of the agency’s recommendation as written.</p> <p>Committee members discussed the petition and agency report recommendation and a motion was made and seconded to deny the petition.</p> <p>A motion was made and seconded to recommend acceptance of the linear accelerator assumptions and methodologies for the “Proposed 2012 SMFP”, and to advance references to years by one as appropriate.</p>		<p>Motion approved</p> <p>Motion approved</p>

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<p>Review of Positron Emission Tomography (PET) Scanner Assumptions, Methodology and Need Determinations</p> <p><b>Petition:</b> Petition 2: Carolinas HealthCare System, Methodology for Mobile PET Scanners</p> <p>Committee Discussion and Recommendations</p>	<p>Dr. Potter reviewed with the Committee the need assumptions, methodology and need determination for fixed PET scanners.</p> <p>Carolinas HealthCare System (CHS) requests a new methodology be developed to determine the need for additional mobile Positron Emission Tomography (PET) scanners. The petitioner “proposes that the need for an additional PET scanner in a mobile PET service area (defined as eastern [HSAs IV, V and VI] and western North Carolina [HSAs I, II and III]...) should be generated when an existing mobile PET scanner performs 2,400 procedures in the previous federal fiscal year.” (CHS petition, page 8).</p> <p>In light of the data, utilization, and capacity of PET services in North Carolina, the Agency recommends that the petition be denied. A motion was made and seconded to deny the petition.</p> <p>A motion was made and seconded to recommend acceptance of the PET assumptions and methodology for the “Proposed 2012 SMFP”, to adopt the current determination of no need for additional PET scanners anywhere in the state for the Proposed 2012 SMFP”, and to advance references to years by one as appropriate.</p>		<p>Motion approved</p> <p>Motion approved</p>
<p>Review of Lithotripsy assumptions and Methodology</p> <p>Committee Discussion and Recommendations</p>	<p>Dr. Potter reviewed with the Committee the need assumptions and methodology for lithotripsy.</p> <p>A motion was made and seconded to recommend acceptance of the lithotripsy assumptions and methodology for the “Proposed 2012 SMFP”, and to advance references to years by one as appropriate.</p>		<p>Motion approved</p>
<p>Review of Gamma Knife Assumptions and Methodology</p> <p>Committee Discussion and Recommendations</p>	<p>Dr. Potter reviewed the need assumptions and methodology.</p> <p>A motion was made and seconded to recommend acceptance of gamma knife assumptions and methodology for the “Proposed 2012 SMFP”, and to advance references to years by one as appropriate.</p>	<p>Dr. Ullrich Dr. Clements</p>	<p>Motion approved</p>

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<p>Review of Magnetic Resonance Imaging Assumptions and Methodology</p> <p>Committee Discussion and Recommendations</p>	<p>Dr. Potter reviewed with the Committee the Magnetic Resonance Imaging need assumptions and methodology.</p> <p>A motion was made and seconded to recommend acceptance of the MRI scanner assumptions and methodology for the “Proposed 2012 SMFP”, and to advance references to years by one as appropriate.</p>	<p>Dr. Ullrich Dr. Clements</p>	<p>Motion approved</p>
<p>Review of Cardiac Catheterization Equipment assumptions and Methodologies</p> <p>Committee Discussion and Recommendations</p>	<p>Dr. Potter reviewed with the Committee the Cardiac Catheterization Equipment need assumptions and methodologies.</p> <p>A motion was made and seconded to recommend acceptance of the cardiac catheterization assumptions and methodologies for the “Proposed 2012 SMFP”, and to advance references to years by one as appropriate.</p>	<p>Dr. Ullrich Dr. Teasley</p>	<p>Motion approved</p>
<p>Committee Recommendations to the SHCC</p>	<p>A motion was made and seconded to forward the Technology and Equipment Committee recommendations to the State Health Coordinating Council for consideration at its May 25, 2011 SHCC meeting.</p>	<p>Dr. Ullrich Dr. Clements</p>	<p>Motion approved</p>
<p>Other Business</p>	<p>A motion was made and seconded for staff to make updates and corrections to the data and tables as indicated. There was no other business brought before the Committee.</p>	<p>Dr. Ullrich Mr. Hinsdale</p>	<p>Motion approved</p>
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>There being no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.</p>		<p>Motion approved and the Meeting adjourned</p>