

Technology & Equipment Committee - DRAFT Minutes

September 11, 2019 10:00 am – 12 Noon Brown Building, Room 104, Raleigh, N.C.

Members Present: Dr. Lyndon Jordan III (Chair), Dr. Dwight Perry, Vincent Morgus, Kelli Collins, Stephen DeBiasi, Dr. Christopher Ullrich

Members Absent: Dr. Robert Bashford, Hon. Barbara McKoy

Other SHCC Members Present:

Healthcare Planning Staff: Trenesse Michael, Amy Craddock, Tom Dickson, Andrea Emanuel, Elizabeth Brown, Melinda Boyette

DHSR Staff Present: Martha Frisone, Gloria Hale

Attorney General's Office: Kimberly Randolph

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| Welcome & Introductions | Dr. Jordan presided at the meeting. He welcomed members, staff and guests to the third and final Technology and Equipment Committee meeting scheduled for this year. He noted the meeting was open to the public, but that the meeting was not a public hearing. Therefore, discussion would be limited to members of the committee and staff. He stated that following the meeting, the Committee will forward its recommendations to the SHCC at the October 2, 2019 meeting. | | |
| Review of Executive Order No. 46 Reauthorizing the State Health Coordinating Council and Executive Order No. 122 Extending the State Health Coordinating Council | Dr. Jordan reviewed Executive Order No. 46: Reauthorizing the State Health Coordinating Council and Executive Order 122: Extending the State Health Coordinating Council. Two members made recusals. Dr. Ullrich mentioned that he is not employed by Atrium Health but will recuse himself from voting on the Atrium Health Gamma Knife Petition. Dr. Jordan mentioned that he is a Diagnostic Radiologist and President/Managing Partner of Wake Radiology. He will be recusing himself from voting on the Raleigh Radiology MRI Petition. In addition, he will ask Mr. Morgus to lead the discussion on this petition. | | |

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| Approval of minutes from May 15, 2019 | A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes. | Dr. Ullrich Ms. Collins | Motion approved |
| Cardiac Catheterization Equipment | The Agency received one petition regarding cardiac catheterization equipment. Ms. Michael provided the Agency Report for the petition. | | |
| | Petition: Pardee UNC Health petitioned for an adjusted need determination for one unit of cardiac catheterization equipment in Henderson County. One comment was received in support of the petition. | | |
| | Committee Recommendation: The committee accepted the Agency Recommendation to approve the Pardee UNC Health Petition for an adjusted need determination for one additional unit of shared fixed cardiac catheterization equipment to be developed in Henderson County in the 2020 SMFP. | Dr. Ullrich Dr. Perry | Motion approved |
| | Ms. Michael provided the review of data tables and agency recommendation regarding the Cardiac Catheterization section of Chapter 17. | | |
| | <u>Data Review</u> : Table 17A-1 and 17A-3 have been updated to reflect updated data received from New Hanover Regional Medical Center. There continue to be no need determinations for cardiac catheterization equipment. | | |
| | While reviewing the narrative, staff noticed that the wording of Step 6 in the methodology was not consistent with the formula used in obtaining the need determination. The correct language will be in the 2020 SMFP. | | |
| | CMS has recently approved coverage of cardiac catheterization procedures in ambulatory surgical facilities. Assumption 3 in Chapter 17 states that cardiac catheterization equipment can only be developed at hospitals. The committee will need to address this in the Spring of 2020. | | |
| | Committee Recommendation: A motion was made and seconded to forward the Cardiac Catheterization section of Chapter 17 to the SHCC for the 2020 SMFP. | Mr. Morgus Ms. Collins | Motion approved |
| Gamma Knife® | The Agency received one petition regarding gamma knife equipment. Ms. Michael provided the Agency Report for the petition. | | |
| | Petition: Atrium Health petitioned for an adjusted need determination for a gamma knife in the western portion of the state (HSA I, II, & III). One comment was received in opposition of the petition. | | |

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| | <u>Committee Recommendation</u> : The committee made and seconded a motion to accept the Agency Recommendation to approve the Atrium Health petition for an adjusted need determination for one gamma knife in HSA III in the 2020 SMFP. | Mr. Morgus Dr. Perry (Dr. Ullrich recused) | Motion approved |
| | Ms. Michael provided the review of data tables and agency recommendation regarding the Gamma Knife section of Chapter 17. | | |
| | Data Review There are no data tables pertaining to the Gamma Knife section, however current data is included in the narrative for Gamma Knife in Chapter 17. | | |
| | Committee Recommendation: A motion was made and seconded to forward the Gamma Knife section of Chapter 17 to the SHCC for the 2020 SMFP. | Ms. Collins Mr. Morgus | Motion approved |
| Linear Accelerator | There were no petitions received for the linear accelerator section of Chapter 17. Ms. Michael provided a review of updated data and tables. | | |
| | Data Review Southeastern Regional Medical Center has been awarded a CON for a LINAC. Tables 17C-1 and 17C-5 will now reflect the issuance of the CON. All need determinations remain the same. | | |
| | Committee Recommendation: A motion was made and seconded to forward the LINAC section of Chapter 17 to the SHCC for the 2020 SMFP. | Mr. Morgus Dr. Ullrich | Motion approved |
| Lithotripsy | There were no petitions received for the lithotripsy section of Chapter 17. | | |
| | <u>Data Review</u> There were no data updates made to the lithotripsy section of Chapter 17, and no need determinations. | | |
| | Committee Recommendation: A motion was made and seconded to forward the Lithotripsy section of Chapter 17 to the SHCC for the 2020 SMFP. | Mr. Morgus Ms. Collins | Motion approved |

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| Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) | There were two petitions submitted for adjusted need determinations regarding MRI scanners. Ms. Michael will provide the agency reports for both petitions. | | |
| | Petition: Sentara Albemarle Medical Center petitioned to remove the need determination for one MRI scanner in the Pasquotank/Camden/Currituck/Perquimans Service Area from the 2020 SMFP. No comments were received regarding this petition. | | |
| | Committee Recommendation: The committee made a motion to accept the Agency recommendation to approve the petition to remove the need determination for an additional fixed MRI scanner in the Pasquotank/Camden/Currituck/Perquimans Service Area in the 2020 SMFP. | Mr. Morgus Ms. Collins | Motion approved |
| | Petition: Raleigh Radiology petitioned for one additional MRI scanner in the Wake County Service Area in the 2020 SMFP. One comment was received in favor of the petition along with 86 letters of support. Three comments were received in opposition to the petition. Mr. Morgus led the discussion on the petition. Committee Recommendation: The committee made a motion to accept the Agency recommendation to deny the petition. | Mr. DeBiasi Dr. Perry (Dr. Jordan recused. Dr. Ullrich abstained.) | Motion approved |
| | Ms. Michael provided the review of data tables and agency recommendation regarding the MRI section of Chapter 17. | | |
| | <u>Data Review</u> Table 17E-1 has had a few updates to data. The major update was new data from Cornerstone Imaging in Guilford County. This new data triggered a new need determination in Guilford County which is shown on table 17E-3. | | |
| | Ms. Michael also reported that Step 10 of the MRI methodology needs to be clarified. The methodology calculates the average number of MRI procedures per scanner correctly (Column M), but the language leaves out important information. For the service area, we divide Column L by Column F to obtain the value in Column M. This calculation is only performed if the service area has one or more fixed equivalent scanners (Column F). If the number of fixed equivalent scanners | | |

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| | is less than one, then no calculation is performed. Rather, the adjusted total number of scans (Column L) is simply carried over to Column M. This latter situation only occurs in service areas that use mobile scanners exclusively. | | |
| | <u>Committee Recommendation</u> : A motion was made and seconded to forward the MRI section of Chapter 17 to the SHCC for the 2020 SMFP. | Dr. Ullrich Ms. Collins | Motion approved |
| Positron Emission Tomography (PET) Scanner | The Agency received one petition regarding PET equipment. Ms. Michael provided the Agency Report for the petition. | | |
| | <u>Petition</u> : Southeastern Regional Medical Center petitioned for an adjusted need determination for one PET scanner in HSA V, designated for Robeson County. One comment was received along with seven letters of support in favor for the petition. | | |
| | Committee Recommendation: The committee made a motion to accept the Agency Recommendation to approve the Southeastern Regional Medical Center petition for an adjusted need determination for one fixed dedicated PET scanner in HSA V, designated for Robeson County in the 2020 SMFP. | Mr. Morgus Dr. Perry | Motion approved |
| | Ms. Michael provided the review of data tables and agency recommendation regarding the PET section of Chapter 17. | | |
| | Committee Recommendation: The Agency recommends to the Committee forwarding the PET section of Chapter 17 to the SHCC for the 2020 SMFP. | Ms. Collins Ms. DiBiasi | Motion approved |
| Other Business | Dr. Jordan asked whether there was any other business that the committee needs to address. | | |
| | Dr. Jordan called for a motion to allow staff to make updates/corrections to the narrative and tables for the publication of the 2020 SMFP as new and corrected data is received. | Ms. Collins Mr. Morgus | Motion approved |
| | Dr. Jordan call for a motion from the Committee to forward all data with approved updates of Chapter 17 to the SHCC. | Ms. Collins Mr. Morgus | Motion approved |
| Adjournment | Dr. Jordan requested a motion to adjourn. | Dr. Ullrich Ms. Collins | Motion approved |