



**State Health Coordinating Council Meeting - DRAFT**  
**Minutes**  
**June 2, 2021**  
**WebEx**

Healthcare Planning & Certificate of Need Section

**This remote meeting was held during the COVID-19 declared State of Emergency. As such, the meeting followed the directives in SL 2020-3 (SB 704) enacted May 4, 2020.**

<b>Members Present:</b>	Dr. Christopher Ullrich (Chairman), Rep. Gale Adcock, Mr. Stephen DeBiasi, Ms. Vanessa Ervin, Dr. Sandra Greene, Dr. Charul Haugan, Ms. Valarie Jarvis, Dr. Lyndon Jordan, Mr. Cooper Linton, Mr. James Martin, Dr. Robert McBride, Comm. Ms. Tonya McDaniel, Comm. Barbara McKoy, Ms. Denise Mihal, Mr. Tim Rogers, Ms. Quintana Stewart, Dr. Jessie Tucker, Mr. Mark Werner, Mr. John Young
<b>Members Absent:</b>	Ms. Kelli Collins, Mr. Brian Floyd, Sen. Michael Garrett, Dr. Pamela Oliver, Dr. Dwight Perry
<b>Healthcare Planning Staff Present:</b>	Ms. Melinda Boyette, Ms. Elizabeth Brown, Dr. Amy Craddock, Dr. Tom Dickson, Dr. Andrea Emanuel, Ms. Trenesse Michael
<b>DHSR Staff Present:</b>	Mr. Mark Payne, Ms. Emery Milliken, Ms. Lisa Pittman, Ms. Gloria Hale, Ms. Julie Faenza, Ms. Celia Inman, Ms. Kim Meymandi, Ms. Misty Piekaar-McWilliams
<b>Attorney General's Office:</b>	Ms. Bethany Burgon, Mr. Derek Hunter

<b>Agenda Items</b>	<b>Discussion/Action</b>	<b>Motions</b>	<b>Vote</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
<b>Welcome</b>	Dr. Ullrich welcomed Council members, staff and visitors to the second meeting of the planning cycle for the NC 2022 State Medical Facilities Plan (SMFP).			
<b>Announcements/ Introductions</b>	The Proposed 2022 SMFP will be posted on the Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section's website in the beginning of July and will be followed by public hearings for comments during July. Dr. Ullrich announced that the public hearings will be held via WebEx. Information will be sent to members and interested parties and will be posted on the Healthcare Planning website. Dr. Ullrich asked for introductions of the Council members and staff. He announced that all votes would be by roll call, pursuant to SB 704.			
<b>Review of Executive Order No. 46 Reauthorizing the State Health Coordinating Council and Executive Order No. 187 Extending the State Health Coordinating Council</b>	Dr. Ullrich gave an overview of the procedures to observe before taking action at the meeting. He asked whether anyone had a conflict, 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 arose. He pointed out that even if a member makes a recusal, that member may vote on the recommendations for an entire chapter, unless a specific item is extracted for discussion and the member makes a recusal on that item.  There were no disclosures or recusals.			

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<b>Approval of Minutes from March 3, 2021</b>	Dr. Ullrich called for a motion to accept the minutes of the March 3, 2021 meeting.	Jarvis Young	Aye: Adcock, DeBiasi, Ervin, Greene, Haugan, Jarvis, Jordan, Linton, Martin, McBride, McDaniel, McKoy, Mihal, Rogers, Stewart, Werner, Young Nay: None Not voting: Tucker (technical problem), Ullrich	Motion approved
<b>Recommendations from Acute Care Services Committee</b>	<p>Dr. Sandra Greene presented the report from the Acute Care Services Committee.</p> <p>The April meeting included: a review of the current Acute Care Services policies and methodologies for Chapters 5-9 of the SMFP.</p> <p>Topics reviewed and discussed at the May meeting included preliminary drafts of need projections generated by the standard methodologies and a comparison between hospital licensure and HID data. The committee also made recommendations regarding whether to adjust need determinations based on the effects of COVID-19 on facility utilization.</p>			
<b>Recommendations from Long-Term and Behavioral Health Committee</b>	<p>Ms. Valarie Jarvis presented the report from the Long-Term and Behavioral Health Committee.</p> <p>The topics reviewed and discussed at the April meeting were the current LTBH policies and need determination methodologies.</p> <p>The topics reviewed and discussed at the May meeting included preliminary drafts of need projections generated by the standard methodologies. The committee also recommended elimination of the psychiatric and substance use disorder bed methodologies.</p>			
<b>Recommendations from Technology and Equipment Committee</b>	<p>Dr. Lyndon Jordan presented the report from the Technology and Equipment Committee.</p> <p>The topics reviewed and discussed at the April meeting included current policies, assumptions, and methodologies; a petition from Novant Health/MedQuest regarding MRI scanners; and a staff proposal to clarify language in Policy TE-3. Actions on the petition and language clarification were tabled, to be considered at the May meeting.</p> <p>The topics reviewed and discussed at the May meeting included preliminary drafts of need projections generated by the standard methodologies. The Novant Health/MedQuest petition was withdrawn before the May meeting. The committee approved the language clarification to Policy TE-3.</p>			

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<b>Staff Proposal on Rounding</b>	Dr. Amy Craddock presented a proposal to add a statement regarding the rounding of numbers in data tables in the SMFP.			
<b>Adoption of the NC Proposed 2022 State Medical Facilities Plan</b>	<p>Before Dr. Ullrich entertained a motion to adopt the Proposed 2022 SMFP, he asked whether anyone would like to extract any committee recommendation for separate consideration. No one indicated that they wished to do so.</p> <p>Dr. Ullrich called for a motion to approve the recommendations of all three committees, including a directive to the Healthcare Planning staff to continue to update tables, narratives, and need determinations for the Proposed 2022 SMFP, as necessary.</p>	Rogers Adcock	<p>Aye: Adcock, DeBiasi, Ervin, Greene, Haugan, Jarvis, Jordan, Linton, Martin, McBride, McDaniel, McKoy, Mihal, Rogers, Stewart, Tucker, Werner, Young</p> <p>Nay: None</p> <p>Not voting: Ullrich</p>	Motion approved
<b>Review of the Public Hearings</b>	Dr. Ullrich reviewed the dates of the six public hearings in July. He reiterated that the public hearings will be held via WebEx and that specific information is forthcoming.			
<b>Summer Petitions Related to COVID-19</b>	Dr. Craddock presented a proposal that would allow for streamlined content in summer 2021 petitions that are based on changes in utilization due to COVID-19. This proposal would apply only to petitions received in the summer of 2021.	Ervin Greene	<p>Aye: Adcock, DeBiasi, Ervin, Greene, Haugan, Jarvis, Jordan, Linton, Martin, McBride, McDaniel, McKoy, Mihal, Rogers, Stewart, Tucker, Werner, Young</p> <p>Nay: None</p> <p>Not voting: Ullrich</p>	Motion approved
<b>Other Business</b>	Dr. Craddock made a brief presentation on the use of telehealth during the COVID-19 pandemic. There was no other business.			
<b>Adjournment</b>	There being no further business, Dr. Ullrich called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.	Adcock Jordan	<p>Aye: Adcock, DeBiasi, Ervin, Greene, Haugan, Jarvis, Jordan, Linton, Martin, McBride, McDaniel, Mihal, Rogers, Stewart, Tucker, Werner, Young</p> <p>Nay: None</p> <p>Not voting: McKoy (not present for vote), Ullrich</p>	Motion approved