



**Technology & Equipment Committee - DRAFT**  
**Minutes**

**September 14, 2022**  
**10:00 am – 12 Noon**  
**WebEx**

**This remote meeting was held during the COVID-19 declared State of Emergency. As such, the meeting followed the directives in SL 2020-3 (SB704) enacted May 4, 2020.**

<b>Committee Members Present:</b> Dr. Lyndon Jordan III (Chair), Mr. Stephen DeBiasi, Dr. Satish Mathan, Hon. Barbara McKoy
<b>Committee Members Absent:</b> Ms. Kelli Collins, Hon. Tonya McDaniel, Dr. Pamela Oliver, Mr. Mark Werner
<b>Other SHCC Members Present:</b> Dr. Sandra Greene
<b>Healthcare Planning Staff:</b> Dr. Amy Craddock, Ms. Melinda Boyette, Ms. Elizabeth Brown, Dr. Andrea Emanuel, Ms. Trenesse Michael
<b>DHSR Staff Present:</b> Ms. Micheala Mitchell, Ms. Donna Donihi, Ms. Julie Faenza
<b>Attorney General’s Office:</b> Ms. Julianne Bradshaw, Mr. Derek Hunter, Ms. Kim Randolph

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion/Action</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Roll Call Vote</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>Welcome &amp; Introductions</b>	<p>Dr. Lyndon Jordan welcomed members, staff, and the public to the third Technology &amp; Equipment Committee meeting of 2022.</p> <p>This meeting was held remotely via WebEx. Dr. Jordan explained that the meeting was open to the public, but discussions, deliberations and recommendations would be limited to members of the Committee and staff. Dr. Jordan stated that the purpose of this meeting was to review the agency reports, data tables and need determinations Chapter 17 for the final 2023 State Medical Facilities Plan (SMFP) and to vote on a recommendation to the SHCC. Committee members and staff in attendance were introduced.</p>			
<b>Review of Executive Order No. 46 and Executive Order No. 187</b>	Dr. Jordan reviewed Executive Orders 46 and 187 and explained procedures to observe before taking action at the meeting.			
	Dr. Jordan announced that due to the requirement that all votes be done by roll call, recommendations would not be made separately for each section of the chapter. Rather, in the interests of time, there would be one			

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	vote once all reviews are complete. At that time, anyone could move to extract a specific section for separate consideration.			
	<p>Attorney General Derek Hunter provided an explanation of the recusal process.</p> <p>Dr. Mathan disclosed that as a practicing Radiologist in Wake County, he seeks advice for recusing himself from the LINAC petition. Mr. Hunter advised that there was no need to recuse from that vote. Dr. Mathan announced recusal from the Cardiac Mobile PET petition.</p> <p>Dr. Jordan recused himself from all matters dealing with Novant, MedQuest, UNC Health, and WakeMed due to professional relationships.</p> <p>Mr. DeBiasi disclosed that his previous relationship with EmergeOrtho as an employee ended 6 months ago. Mr. Hunter advised that a recusal was not needed.</p>			
<b>Approval of minutes from May 4, 2022</b>	A motion was made and seconded to approve the May 4, 2022 minutes.	Mathan DeBiasi	Ayes: DeBiasi, Mathan, McKoy, Jordan, Greene Nays: None	Motion Approved
<b>Cardiac Catheterization Equipment</b>	<p>The Agency received three petitions for cardiac catheterization.</p> <p><b>Petitioner:</b> UNC Blue Ridge requests an adjusted need determination for a unit of shared fixed cardiac catheterization equipment in the Burke County service area in the 2023 SMFP. <b>Action:</b> The Agency recommended approval of the petition. The Committee voted to approve the Agency’s recommendation.</p> <p><b>Petitioner:</b> Novant Health Brunswick Medical Center requests an adjusted need determination for a unit of shared fixed cardiac catheterization equipment in the Brunswick County service area in the 2023 SMFP. <b>Action:</b> The Agency recommended approval of the petition. The Committee voted to approve the Agency’s recommendation.</p> <p><b>Petitioner:</b> Novant Health New Hanover Medical Center requests removal of the need determination for a unit of shared fixed cardiac</p>	<p>Mathan DeBiasi</p> <p>DeBiasi Mathan</p> <p>Mathan DeBiasi</p>	<p>Ayes: DeBiasi, Mathan, McKoy, Jordan, Greene Nays: None</p> <p>Ayes: DeBiasi, Mathan, McKoy, Greene Nays: None Recuse: Jordan</p> <p>Ayes: DeBiasi, Mathan, McKoy, Greene Nays: None</p>	<p>Motion Approved</p> <p>Motion Approved</p> <p>Motion Approved</p>

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	<p>catheterization equipment in the New Hanover County service area in the 2023 SMFP.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> The Agency recommended denial of the petition. The Committee voted to approve the Agency’s recommendation.</p> <p>Ms. Michael provided a review of the data regarding the Cardiac Catheterization section of Chapter 17.</p>		Recuse: Jordan	
<b>Gamma Knives</b>	<p>The Agency received no petitions or comments for gamma knife.</p> <p>Ms. Michael provided a review of the data regarding the Gamma Knife section of Chapter 17.</p>			
<b>Linear Accelerators</b>	<p>The Agency received one petition regarding linear accelerators.</p> <p><b>Petitioner:</b> WakeMed requests an adjusted need determination for one additional LINAC in Service Area 20 in the 2023 SMFP.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> The Agency referred the petition to the Committee for a decision. Utilization trends would not support an additional LINAC. However, if the Committee determined that a LINAC was standard of care for oncology programs, then they may choose to approve the petition. The Committee voted to approve the petition.</p> <p>Ms. Michael provided a review of the data regarding the LINAC section of Chapter 17.</p>	DeBiasi Mathan	Ayes: DeBiasi, Mathan, McKoy, Greene Nays: None Recuse: Jordan	Motion Approved
<b>Lithotriptors</b>	<p>The Agency received no petitions or comments for lithotripsy</p> <p>Ms. Michael provided a review of the data regarding the Lithotripsy section of Chapter 17.</p>			
<b>Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Scanners</b>	<p>The Agency received three petitions for MRI.</p> <p><b>Petitioner:</b> EmergeOrtho requests an adjusted need determination for a fixed MRI scanner in the Caldwell County service area in the 2023 SMFP.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> The Agency recommended denial of the petition. Committee rejected the Agency’s recommendation and voted to approve the petition.</p> <p>The Agency prepared a combined report on the following two petitions:</p>	DeBiasi McKoy	Ayes: DeBiasi, Mathan, McKoy, Greene Nays: Jordan	Motion Approved

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	<p><b>Petitioner:</b> Novant Health and MedQuest, jointly request an adjusted need determination for two mobile MRI scanners in the statewide service area in the 2023 SMFP.</p> <p><b>Petitioner:</b> Carolina Neurosurgery and Spine Associates requests an adjusted need determination for two mobile MRI scanners in HSA III in the 2023 SMFP.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> The Agency recommended denial of both petitions and provided an alternative of approving three mobile MRI need determinations for the statewide service area. The Committee voted to approve the Agency’s recommendation.</p> <p>Ms. Michael provided a review of the data regarding the MRI section of Chapter 17.</p>	Mathan DeBiasi	Ayes: DeBiasi, Mathan, McKoy, Greene Nays: None Recuse: Jordan	Motion Approved
<p><b>Positron Emission Tomography (PET) Scanners</b></p>	<p>The Agency received one petition for PET.</p> <p><b>Petitioner:</b> Alliance Health requests adjusted need determination for a dedicated mobile Cardiac PET scanner in the 2023 SMFP.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> The Agency recommended denial of the petition. The Committee voted to approve the Agency’s recommendation.</p> <p>Ms. Michael provided a review of the data regarding the PET section of Chapter 17.</p>	DeBiasi Greene	Ayes: DeBiasi, McKoy, Greene Nays: None Recuse: Jordan, Mathan	Motion Approved
<p><b>Recommendation to SHCC</b></p>	<p>Dr. Jordan requested a motion to recommend approval of the draft data and need determinations and to forward that recommendation to the SHCC. This motion included the understanding that staff will continue to update data and make necessary corrections and changes. Recommendations pertaining to all sections will be forwarded to the SHCC for action at the September 28th meeting.</p>	Mathan Greene	Ayes: Mathan, McKoy, Jordan, Greene Nays: None	Motion Approved
<p><b>Other Business</b></p>	<p>Dr. Jordan reminded everyone that the SHCC will next meet on Wednesday, September 28, 2022 in person on the Dorothea Dix Campus in Room 104 of the Brown Building</p>			
<p><b>Adjournment</b></p>	<p>There being no further business, Dr. Jordan called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.</p>	Mathan Greene	Ayes: Mathan, McKoy, Jordan, Greene Nays: None	Motion Approved