

NC Department of Health and Human Services

Division of **Medical Assistance**



MEDICAL CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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MEDICAL CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- PURPOSE
- MEMBERSHIP
- PROCESS

PURPOSE

- Required by Federal Regulation **42 CFR 431.12**
 - State plan must provide for a medical care advisory committee (MCAC) to advise the Medicaid agency director about health and medical care services
 - Committee must have opportunity for participation in policy development and program administration, including furthering the participation of recipient members in the agency program

PURPOSE

- Provides a public forum to discuss the Medicaid program in its entirety:
 - Clinical policy and program development
 - Rate setting and financial services
 - Budget and budget reductions
 - Recipient and provider services
 - Program integrity
 - Information technology
 - Administration

MEMBERSHIP

- Requirements in Federal Regulation **42 CFR 431.12**
 - Agency director, or a higher State authority, must appoint members to the advisory committee on a rotating and continuous basis
- Secretary of DHHS appoints all members of the MCAC
 - DMA coordinates nomination process, proposes nominees for membership from appropriate professional organizations, consumer groups, etc.
 - Members appointed on a rotating basis for 3-year periods with overlapping terms for continuity
 - Members serve no more than 3 consecutive terms

MEMBERSHIP

- Requirements in Federal Regulation **42 CFR 431.12**
 - Committee must include:
 1. Board-certified physicians and other representatives of the health professions familiar with medical needs of low-income population groups and with the resources available and required for their care
 2. Members of consumers' groups, including Medicaid recipients, consumer organizations such as labor unions, cooperatives, consumer-sponsored prepaid group practice plans, and others
 3. The director of the public welfare department or the public health department, whichever does not head the Medicaid agency

MEMBERSHIP

- Up to 20 members
 - G.S. 143B-10 mandates membership of boards and commissions represent all 13 Congressional districts
 - Secretary received approval from Governor to appoint up to 7 additional at-large members
- DHHS also ensures diverse representation by race, gender, consumers, and providers

MEMBERSHIP

- Appointed new board beginning in March 2011
- Nominations from:
 - NC Community Health Care Association
 - NC Association of Local Health Directors
 - NC Pharmaceutical Association
 - NC Bar Association
 - NC Association of County Directors of Social Services
 - Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
 - NC Hospital Association
 - NC Dental Society

MEMBERSHIP

- 3 Physicians
- 1 Psychiatrist
- 2 Behavioral health providers
- 1 Clinical social worker
- 2 Home health and personal care providers
- 1 Local public health director
- 1 Federally qualified health center (FQHC) director
- 1 Hospital CFO
- 1 Hospital CEO
- 1 Medicaid recipient
- 1 Health attorney
- 2 registered nurses
- 1 Pharmacist
- 1 Dentist
- 1 Division of Social Services Director
- 1 Skilled nursing facility provider

MEMBERSHIP

| DISTRICT | NOMINEE | EXPERIENCE |
|----------|-------------------------|---|
| 1 | Kim Schwartz | CEO, Roanoke-Chowan Community Health Center |
| 2 | Dr. Marilyn Pearson | Physician; Johnston County Public Health Director |
| 3 | Suzette Cotter | Clinical Social Worker |
| 4 | Mike James | Pharmacist |
| 5 | Dr. Hans C. Hansen | Physician; |
| 6 | Karen M. Schaede | Attorney (Health Law) and RN |
| 7 | VACANT | - |
| 8 | Dr. Karen Smith | Physician |
| 9 | VACANT | - |
| 10 | Susan McCracken | Lincoln County DSS Director |
| 11 | Casey Cooper | CEO, Cherokee Hospital |
| 12 | Dr. Richard Brunstetter | Adolescent Psychiatrist |
| 13 | Anessa S. Williams | RN; President of HealthCare Options of the Triangle, Inc., personal care services |
| At-Large | Greg Gombar | Executive Vice President and CFO, Carolinas Medical Center |
| At-Large | Ted Goins | President and CEO, Lutheran Services for the Aging and Lutheran Family Services in the Carolinas |
| At-Large | Gary Massey | CPA, Owner, Good Health Services |
| At-Large | Billy West | Executive Director, DayMark Recovery |
| At-Large | Debbie Moberly | Consumer |
| At-Large | Dr. Benjamin Koren | Dentist |

PROCESS

- Public meetings, subject to open meetings laws
 - Time allotted for public comment
- Bimonthly meetings (or as needed) for up to 3 hours
- Advisory only, committee does not make policy
- Recommendations are taken into consideration by Division and Department

For more information:

<http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dma/mcac/index.htm>

QUESTIONS?