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March 14, 2023

TRILLIUM HEALTH RESOURCES
NORTHERN REGIONAL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

The Trillium Health Resources Northern Regional Advisory Board met by WebEx on Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

Members Present: Whitney P. Aydlett, Kimberly Clark, Dr. Regina Dickens, Charles Jordan, Dr. Alex Kehayes, Ron Lowe, Dr. Michael McLain, Wanda Piland, Chenoa Richardson-Davis, Dr. Denauvo Robinson. Brian Rountree, Terry Lee Tatman, James Ward, and Dr. Patricia Wright Wesson

Members Absent: Kelvin M. Edwards, Sandra Layden, Kevin McCord, William F. Mitchell, Jr., Donna Powell, Ronnie Smith, and Emmie Taylor

Staff Present: Bobbie Lowe, Dave Peterson, Sean Kenny, and Jacqueline M. Waller, Clerk

I. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. McLain called the meeting of the Northern Regional Advisory Board to order at 4:01 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 10, 2023 MINUTES (BOARD ACTION REQUIRED)

Dr. McClain called for a motion to approve the January 10, 2023 Minutes. Adjustments to the January 10, 2023 Minutes to include the attendance of Dr. Patricia Wright Wesson and the Oath of Office administered to Whitney P. Aydlett (Camden County). The motion was so moved by Dr. Kehayes, seconded by Dr. Robinson, and unanimously approved.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

IV. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Dr. McLain called for a motion to adopt the agenda. The motion was so moved by Com. Aydlett, seconded by Com. Jordan, and unanimously approved.

V. BOARD COMMENTS/CONCERNS

Bobbie Lowe asked if each person would introduce themselves and each county they represent.

VI. OATH OF OFFICE

Com. James Ward (Perquimans County) and Com. Chenoa Richardson-Davis (Halifax County) were sworn in as members of the Northern Regional Advisory Board.

VII. GOVERNING BOARD REPORT

Dr. Robinson shared that at the last meeting of the Governing Board there was a lot of talk about us going live on April 1. There were one or two MCOs who were not ready to go live on that date. Trillium is not only ready but is above ready to “Go Live.” Bobbie Lowe explained to the Board Members what to “Go Live” means. This resulted in a discussion on Medicaid Transformation whereby several Board Members had questions on Medicaid Transformation. Dave Peterson joined in on the discussion.

VIII. DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Ms. Lowe gave the following Director’s Report:

Tailored Plan:

- Implementation of the Tailored Plan is delayed until October 1, 2023. Trillium continues to work to expand the physical health network, including providers located in Virginia.
- Trillium has met most benchmarks for readiness.
- A new Initiative called Family Supports aimed to help develop Resource Families for Foster Care and Kin Care.
- The Ribbon Cuttings on the Mobile Units were held on February 28 for Bertie and Hertford counties. The schedule for those clinics can be found at: <https://monarchnc.org/mobileclinic/>
- More Opioid Remediation funding will be announced very soon.
 - The first round Camden Health Dept. (ARHS), Martin, Tyrell, Washington Health Dept. (MTW) and Rural Health Group (RHG) received funding.
- Trillium will be reaching out to school systems and county managers to discuss offering education on fentanyl, opioids, and/or substance abuse.
- Trillium was represented at the NC Legislative Breakfast on Mental Health. Cindy Ehlers served on the panel with elected officials including Senator Jim Burgin, Representative Carla Cunningham, Representative Wayne Sasser, Senator Sydney Batch, and Senator Graig Meyer.
- The i2i Spring Conference will be held June 12-14 in Raleigh. The topic this year is Critical Connections. Two programs nominated by Trillium will be recognized at the Conference. The NC Rock Autism Festival from Pasquotank County is being recognized for Individual and Family Initiative.

- The Healing Place will be opening on May 11. Bobbie reported that the Board members will be getting a formal invitation to attend.

Dave Peterson discussed the Statewide Foster Care Plan in which there is a new Bill coming out (Senate Bill 156) in which the Senate has already passed. Trillium is asking for letters of support from counties in opposition of one Statewide Foster Care Plan. Dave distributed a draft letter to the Board members that Trillium would like for them to sign and send to their county managers and commissioners. Sean Kenny discussed the **daily** tracking of kids in DSS offices. Sean will get the information to Bobbie Lowe and she will send the daily tracking report to the Board members.

IX. CFAC REPORT

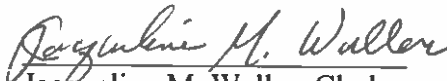
Ron Lowe reported that the Halifax County CFAC members had a meeting a few weeks ago which was successful. He has attended collaborative meetings in several counties as well as attended the state CFAC calls. Ron still seeks prospective CFAC members to join Northern CFAC.

X. ADJOURNMENT

With there being no other business, Dr. McLain called for a motion to adjourn. The motion was so moved by Com. Jordan, seconded by Ron Lowe, and unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Jacqueline M. Waller, Clerk


Dr. P. Michael McLain, Chair

