

Board of Community Health
Meeting
November 12, 2020

Members Present

Norman Boyd
Allana Cummings
Roger Folsom
Mark Trail
David Crews
Russ Childers
Russell Crutchfield
Anthony Williamson

Members Absent

Kenneth Davis

The Board of Community Health held its meeting via WebEx teleconference. (An agenda and a List of Attendees are attached hereto and made an official part of these Minutes as Attachments #1 and #2). Chairman Norman Boyd presided and called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Minutes

The Minutes of the October 8, 2020 meeting were unanimously approved.

Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Berry thanked the Board, members of the public and staff for their participation via WebEx.

Commissioner Berry updated the Board on the following:

- Staff Augmentation:
 - November 9, 2020: Conference call with hospitals receiving staff augmentation
 - Recognitions:
 - Governor Brian Kemp and his team for their support of funding ongoing staff augmentation through December 30, 2020; the current Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) funding expiration.
 - Anna Adams, Georgia Hospital Association (GHA)
 - Charlie Evans, Healthcare Workforce Logistics (HWL) Healthcare
 - Front-line workers
 - DCH staff: Marial Ellis, Joseph Hood and Shawn Walker

- Continuous collaboration with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS):
 - Long-term care (LTC) facilities
 - Visitations
 - Waivers that impact telemedicine and working closely with the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Department of Public Health (DPH) to ensure we are following guidelines
- Holiday guidance reminders:



Lynnette Rhodes, Executive Director, Medical Assistance Plans presented to the Board for initial adoption the Comprehensive Supports Waiver Program (COMP), Waiver Renewal; New Options Waiver Program (NOW), Waiver Amendment Public Notice.

An opportunity for public comment will be held on November 18, 2020 at 10:30 a.m., via WebEx. Written comments will be accepted on or before December 14, 2020.

Ms. Rhodes respectfully asked for the Board's favorable consideration of initial adoption.

David Crews MADE a MOTION to approve for initial adoption the Comprehensive Supports Waiver Program (COMP), Waiver Renewal; New Options Waiver Program (NOW), Waiver Amendment Public Notice. Mark Trail SECONDED the MOTION. ON THE MOTION, the yeas were 8, nays 0, abstained 0, and the MOTION was APPROVED.

(A copy of the Comprehensive Supports Waiver Program (COMP), Waiver Renewal; New Options Waiver Program (NOW), Waiver Amendment Public Notice is attached hereto and made an official part of these minutes as Attachment #3).

New Business/Closing Comments


None to report.

Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Chairman Norman Boyd adjourned the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

THESE MINUTES ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 12th DAY OF November, 2020.


Allana Cummings
Secretary


Norman Boyd
Chairman

Official Attachments:

- #1 Agenda
- #2 List of Attendees
- #3 Comprehensive Supports Waiver Program (COMP), Waiver Renewal; New Options Waiver Program (NOW), Waiver Amendment Public Notice