

**Partnership for a Healthy Durham Quarterly Meeting**  
**April 20, 2016**  
**Minutes**

**Facilitated by: Kimberly Monroe**

**Present:** Kimberly Alexander-Bratcher, Kiah Gaskin, Barbara Sheline, Melissa Black, Natacha Cross Rubio, Angel Romero, Georgina Dukes, Joanie Ross, Philip Harewood, Tammeka Evans, Khali Gallman, Crystal Dixon, Chasity Newkirk, Elizabeth Barber, Catrina Lloyd, Candice Givens, Kimberly Monroe, Mel Downey-Piper, Lloyd Schmeidler, Gina Upchurch, Keyanna Terry, Susie Surlles, Charlene Reiss, Jacob Edwards, Lottie Barnes, Jacob Lerner, Robert Thomas, Kelly Warnock, Cindy Haynes, Glenda Care, David Reese, Keisha Blount, Jason Ferrell, Leah Williams, Gary Taylor, Linda Zhang, Emily Mattoon, Lauren Groskaufmanil, Julie Rivo  
*Guest:* Joanne Pierce, Kate MacQueen, Betsy Costenbader, Natalie Eley, Eunice Okumu

Topic	Major discussion points	Action steps and responsible parties
<b>Introductions</b>		
<b>Review Minutes</b>	There were no changes to the minutes.	
<b>Recap of Duke/Durham Health Summit</b> Kimberly Monroe, Duke University	<p>The focus of the 14<sup>th</sup> annual Duke/Durham Health Summit was collaborating across sectors. Many sectors were represented such as faith-based, education, health, housing, etc. There were more than 300 attendees.</p> <p>The summit had breakout sessions around issues related to child welfare, education, housing, workforce development, transportation and criminal justice. The common theme among all groups were cost, access and environment. Next steps include taking the information collected from the breakout sessions and asked during the panel and sharing it with the community. Duke Health is also planning to incorporate the information into their workplan.</p> <p>The goal is to keep the conversation around health equity going. Attendees from the summit have had the opportunity to attend a racial equity workshop sponsored by Duke and the Durham County Department of Public Health in April. Additional workshops will be held in May and June.</p>	

<p><b>Racial Equity</b> Joanne Pierce, Durham County Department of Public Health</p>	<p>Many of our institutions produce the same outcomes across systems. Community organizations need to use an equity lens to do a deeper analysis and address the effects of racial disparities.</p> <p>Joanne gave examples to highlight the effects of racial equity such as the sinking of the Titanic; how most of the wealthy passengers survived opposed to most of the poor passengers who died and a rigged game of Monopoly which makes it hard for late entrants to get ahead or win.</p> <p>Joanne has attended two meetings of the Obesity and Chronic Illness (OCI) committee to do a power analysis, discuss why people are poor and how we develop programs and initiatives. The committee would like to have Joanne return to go deeper into the conversation. After going through the racial equity training, members of the OCI committee have realized that we tend to create programs based on what we think instead of getting the community really involved. The committee plans to address this in the future.</p> <p>The Partnership is moving towards using a racial equity lens to examine systems instead of focusing on individual racism. Change is made at the systems level.</p> <p>Joanne discussed how she has worked with the Texas communities in the past to change the systems-community dynamic. She asked the community permission to attend their meeting and talk to them about their concerns related to transportation services. The community appreciated the respectfulness of the approach and shared feedback on how policies of the transportation system affected them. Their responses were shared with Medicaid at the state level and they started making different requirements of their vendors.</p>	<p>There are spots available at May and June racial equity trainings held at the Ivy Conference center. Contact Joanne if you are interested in attending one of these sessions.</p>
<p><b>Evaluation Results</b> Kate MacQueen and Betsy Costenbader, FHI 360</p>	<p>The Partnership has been working with FHI 360 over the last few months to assess the strengths and areas of improvement. FHI 360 did interviews with current and former co-chairs, conducted three focus groups and sent an evaluation survey to all Partnership members.</p>	

	<p>Five topics were repeated across all focus groups and interviews- communications, engagement, community, collaboration and challenges. The quantitative data showed what sectors needed additional representation in the Partnership- faith-based, banking, business and criminal justice representation is needed.</p> <p>The Partnership is doing well on its unique purpose, commitment among Partnership members, benefiting from being involved with the Partnership, understanding goals and objectives and open and frequent communication.</p> <p>The Partnership could improve in the areas of communications, cross-sector representation, sufficient resources, working across committees and clear roles and guidelines.</p> <p>The Partnership Coordinator will work with the Steering committee and the entire Partnership to address the evaluation findings to make the Partnership even stronger.</p> <p>The presentation was followed by a discussion period. Attendees discussed ways to improve engagement and effectiveness such as improved communication, searching for and sharing grant resources and bringing the work out into the community.</p>	
<p><b>Announcements</b></p>	<p>The Communications committee has pooled resource to hire an intern for the summer to work on the Network of Care website. The intern will focus on cleaning up data and creating inclusion/exclusion criteria.</p> <p>Filling Gaps in Services for Durham’s Most Vulnerable Youth will be help on Friday, April 22, starting at 8:45 am at the Durham County Human Services Building. The goal is to get everyone into a room to discuss resources to help</p> <p>The Aging Well in Durham conference will be held May 21 at the Durham County Human Services Building.</p>	

	<p>The Medicaid Expansion and Reform Forum will be held April 26, 6:30-8:30 pm at NCCU. North Carolina legislators will be answering questions from Gayle Harris, Mary Ann Black, Gina Upchurch and others.</p> <p>The Farmer's Markets are expanding to summer hours and are still running the Double Bucks program. People can use SNAP benefits</p> <p>There is a new Farmer's Markets starting a Northgate Mall on Saturday.</p> <p>Neighborhood Improvement Services will release the 2016 Point in Time count of the Durham homeless population at their April 27, 3:00 pm meeting.</p> <p>There are openings for the May 12 and 13 and June 23 and 24 racial equity workshops.</p>
<b>Next meeting</b>	July 20, 2016, <b>Durham County Human Services Building, 414 E. Main St.,</b> noon-1:30 pm