

**Partnership for a Healthy Durham
Access to Care Committee
Durham County Human Services Building, 414 East Main Street
June 11, 2020
MINUTES**

Facilitator: Camille Grant and Kimberly Alexander- Bratcher

Access to Care: This committee’s activities include advocating for changes that will affect health care coverage for residents across all ages and developing community and agency-based strategies to make measurable improvements in access to care for the uninsured and underinsured residents of Durham.

Meeting Outcomes

- Outcome 1: Discuss current work on the Access to Care Action Plan related to Patient Navigation tools and identify next steps.
- Outcome 2: Engage all committee members in nomination activities for the 2020-2021 Access to Care Co-Chair election.

Present: Camille Grant Valentine, Kimberly Alexander, Roosevelt Campbell, Angel Romero, LaSonia Barnett, Jamillae Stockett, Gina Upchurch, Mahsa Taskindoust, Viviana Martinez-Bianchi, Angelo Moore, Debbie Royster, Nadia Aguilera-Funez, Ismael Santillano, Kimberly Monroe, Alex Alvarez, Rose Gbamele, Kearston Ingraham, Elizabeth Brill, Ashley Bass-Mitchell, Marissa Mortiboy
Guests: Gene Moon, Emma Herold, Caitlin Su, Shreyas Hallur

Project/Topic/Goal	Major Discussion Points	Recommendations	Action Steps
Welcome & Introductions <i>Camille & All</i>	<i>Today’s Icebreaker: What is your organization doing to address systemic racism? –OR- how has your organization either public addressed and/or engaged in conversations around the deaths of George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, and so many other lives lost?</i>		
Review & Approve Minutes <i>Camille & All</i>	Camille or Kimberly will send out the May minutes for review.		
Patient Navigation Tools (A2C Action Plan) <i>Emma Herold + Shreyas Hallur + Caitlin Su + Gene Moon</i>	Emma, Shreyas, Caitlin and Gene are part of the Duke Student Collaborative for Health Policy. The group reached out to Camille Grant and Kimberly Alexander to work on Goal 1 of the Access to Care action plan- Understand and increase uninsured and underinsured residents’ awareness about the affordable healthcare, resources, and insurance options available and how to access them. The group researched existing patient navigation toolkits and resources lists such as United Way 211, Durham Network of Care, NCCare360 and resources for those living with HIV. The students want to understand the resource and patient navigation needs of Durham		Dr. Angelo Moore, Kimberly Monroe and Ashley Bass-Mitchell volunteered to work with the students.

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	<p>residents. They don't want to duplicate efforts and want to work with those with expertise.</p> <p>Patient navigation requires a lot of engagement and time. Kimberly Monroe suggested working with faith alliances and ensure that people without access to internet or phones can still get access to resources.</p> <p>Gina Upchurch is leading a group called Durham's Partnership for Seniors and More -COVID Response group. There is a "digital divide" workgroup forming as part of their efforts. High tech and high touch is needed.</p> <p>Angel Romero translated a resource guide into Spanish- http://tinyurl.com/ducovid19resources. There is concern messaging hasn't reached the Hispanic and Latino communities. Efforts are ongoing to reach the Spanish speaking community through messaging and mask giveaways.</p> <p>Kearston Ingraham is working with the National Society of Black Engineers to address the digital divide. Looking at ways to address that piece so all members of the community can utilize the services being offered.</p>		
<p>Co-Chair Nominations <i>Marissa + Kimberly + Camille</i></p>	<p>Camille has served as committee co-chair for the last three years. She has worked on two different action plans. Co-chair responsibilities are to plan and chair meetings, find speakers and drive the work of the committee forward. Camille has reached the maximum term of three consecutive one-year terms.</p> <p>She shared about what she enjoyed about the co-chair role which led to growth, leadership, meeting people she wouldn't have otherwise and seeing progress on the committee action plan.</p> <p>Kimberly Alexander would like to continue serving as co-chair. She has enjoyed learning more about what's going on in Durham and</p>		

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	<p>connecting efforts. She feels there is a shift going on and momentum around racial equity.</p> <p>Committee co-chairs are elected annually for one-year terms. The first step in the process are nominations. You can nominate yourself or others- https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2020AccesstoCareCoChairNom. Marissa will check in with anyone nominated to see if they would like to run. Elections will take place online in June as well. Ideally, co-chairs would have been part of the committee for at least a year before the July 1 term.</p>		
<p>Announcements</p>	<p>The 2019 State of the County Health reports is available in English and Spanish at www.healthydurham.org. The report is an update on the data and progress on the County's top health priorities. Racism is a public health crisis is featured in the report.</p> <p>Roosevelt Campbell has been working to increase COVID testing in needed areas such as the east side of Durham. they are working to develop a committee to address the African American community and COVID. if anyone would like to talk more, contact Roosevelt Campbell.</p> <p>There is a need for additional COVID information in the community- how to access transportation, how to get a referral if don't have a primary care physician, testing costs and whether insurance would cover a co-pay. Make testing criteria clear for can get tested. Messaging give people confidence about effectiveness of testing.</p> <p>Duke have been working on proposal for mobile testing and are waiting for Duke leadership to approve. Leadership for the Duke Black Chamber of Commerce is in support of mobile testing and can help advocate. Trusted people in community such as community health workers could help increase testing.</p>		<p>Kimberly Alexander will connect with Roosevelt Campbell.</p>

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	<p>Access to care for people who have lost health insurance due to unemployment can apply for ACA in English- https://urldefense.com/v3/_https://tinyurl.com/vxh7el4_!!OToaGQ!8Sh6TXOEA5butOsrOQ2wFiXPIqUoKhgrb0SIWbusiju3I42B7GtSWjAxs-lje96ImA\$ and in Spanish- https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfNmVIfKwbAycmQzMHOeEFmONJ_27N0AR5whmbaDgQ7ja5iCQ/viewform</p>		
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