

Partnership for a Healthy Durham
Access to Care Committee
July 8, 2023
Minutes

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.

Facilitated by: Angel Romero and Shelisa Howard-Martinez

Present: Shelisa Howard-Martinez, Bria Miller, Angel Romero, Gwen McNeill, Krista Kicsak, Deborah Dolan, Elaijah Lapay, Kevin Ogbonna, Jaeson Smith, Mary Vinson, Ashley Bass-Mitchell		
Topic	Major Discussion	Recommendations and Action Steps
Welcome & Introductions & Icebreaker	<p>Introductions in the chat. Please add your name, organization, email address if this is your first time.</p> <p>Icebreaker in chat box- if you had an extra day every week, what would you spend it doing?</p>	
Review May Minutes	The meeting minutes were approved.	
Review Access to Care brochure	<p>The Communications Committee reviewed the current version of the Access to Care brochure yesterday, July 7. The brochure is meant for uninsured and underinsured people in Durham County.</p> <p>Angel shared his screen to show the entire document and walked through the brochure by section.</p> <p>Should information about application for charity care be included? There is a telephone number to call the department that can help people apply. The website is not included because they sometimes change the location of that form on the website.</p> <p>The name of the brochure is changed to Health Care Options in Durham.</p>	<p>Specify that The Lucas Center at Hillside is only for Durham County students.</p> <p>Add language about how people can join the Partnership.</p>

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	<p>Is there a reason why we go back and forth between STI and STD? Some people associate less stigma with STI, but STD is more recognizable. Another participant would like to use both. The group participated in a poll and STD had the highest number of votes, so the group ultimately decided to use this terminology.</p> <p>Angel asked if the group is satisfied with the content. Is there anything you would like to add? There is not behavioral health information because the Mental Health committee has a mental health resources brochure with that information.</p> <p>We have positive feedback from the committee on the current version of the brochure.</p>	
Next Steps	The committee will focus on prioritizing community health improvement plans in the next couple of meetings.	
Announcements & Other Topics	<p>The first Annual Community Health (CHW) Worker Forum will be held in person at the Wake County Commons Building in Raleigh, North Carolina. Date: Saturday, August 12, 2023 Time: 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM Location: Wake County Commons Building Address: 1411 Cary Drive, Raleigh, NC 27610. To register for the forum and access the early bird special, please visit https://bit.ly/forum-registration2023. Spaces are limited, so early registration is highly recommended to guarantee your attendance.</p> <p>The NC Community Health Worker Association Conference is November 30, 2023-December 1, 2023. The location is to be determined. The Southeast Region CHW Network Summit is September 14th and 15th (location: Concord, NC). There are currently sponsorship opportunities available.</p>	
Meeting Adjourn		

***Next Meeting:** August 10, 8:30-9:30am