

**Partnership for a Healthy Durham
Access to Care Committee**

January 9, 2025 - 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. @ Zoom/Virtual

Minutes

Facilitators: Edeia Lynch and Angel Romero Ruiz

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.

| Present: Bria Miller, Angel Romero, Edeia Lynch, Deborah Dolan, Eboni Quick, Elizabeth Brill, Kimberly Monroe, Savannah Carrico, Tinesha Smith, Brad Caison, Mary Vinson, Ashley Bass-Mitchell, Gina Upchurch, Sabrina Aguilar-Simon | | | |
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| Time | Project/Topic/Goal | Major Discussion Points | Recommendations & Action Steps |
| 9:00-9:05 | Welcome and introductions. Icebreaker: How would you spend your days if you had unlimited time and resources? | | |
| 9:05 - 9:10 | Review minutes The meeting minutes are approved. | | |
| 9:10-9:30 | Lincoln Community Health Center presentation by Tinesha Smith, Director of Operations Tinesha.smith@duke.edu Mission- provide primary and preventive health care in a courteous, professional, and personal manner. History- opened its doors in 1971. It was open inside of Lincoln Hospital, founded by Dr. Charles Watts. Lincoln was a Neighborhood Health Center. The main site is on Fayetteville St. Lincoln is a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQH). They are governed by HRSA- Lincoln has been in the top 10% for providing top quality care. They have the most awards for health centers in the state of NC. They got the health disparities reducer badge, access enhancer badge, addressing social risks badge, amongst others. | | Tinesha will share their fact sheet with the co-chairs to share with the committee. |

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| | <p>There are eight locations in addition to the main one. The newest location is in Lakewood. It has 30 rooms. It celebrated its one-year anniversary in October of 2023. They completed nearly 15,000 visits in just one year.</p> <p>They have a school-based clinic, care for the homeless at a shelter, two clinics inside the Durham County human services building. They also have neighborhood locations in Lyon Park, Walltown, and Holton. They also have one inside Durham Recovery Response- they expect to reopen sometime this quarter.</p> <p>Services include adult and family medicine, pediatrics, lab, pharmacy, dental, radiology, and more.</p> <p>They also hold the WIC departments- main location, human services (2), El Centro Hispano, and FCR formerly known as Durham Head Start</p> <p>35,321 patients received care at LCHC in 2023 (10% of Durham's location). 50% of them are uninsured, 25% have Medicaid, 10% have Medicare, and 15% have private insurance.</p> <p>FY23 close to 8,000 had hypertension, nearly 5,500 have diabetes, nearly 7,000 have mental health diagnosis</p> <p>They see a large undocumented population. A lot of people did not receive benefits with Medicaid Expansion.</p> <p>Kimberly would like more of the packets.</p> <p>There are lots of patients missing appointments due to lack of transportation.</p> <p>Does Lincoln have data on gender identity and sex? Yes. Tinesha will connect Brad to her assistant diane.faricy@duke.edu so he can get the date he's looking for. He would also like to talk about PREP.</p> <p>With the changes and potential target of undocumented folks, Lincoln has reached out to guidance from the state level. They are aware of what areas ICE cannot access. They also have a plan for reviewing warrants, etc. and are aware of what is considered restricted areas.</p> <p>There is a clinic inside Hillside. If parents sign a waiver, the students can receive care. They also provide health education and resources such as menstrual products. It is only for Hillside students.</p> <p>They have a huge population health team. They received a \$1 million grant from the state for outreach and enrollment. They will be adding more CHWs. They are looking to reactivate support groups. They are looking to get out in the community more. Edeia connect with Haceal.</p> | | |
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| | <p>Lincoln has a \$5,000 scholarship for seniors in Durham.</p> <p>Gina is the coordinator at Hillside. Tinesha will share this information with Bria.</p> | | |
| 9:30-9:50 | <p>Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIPs) – group discussion. Topics: Quarter 2 Strategies. FILL IN INFORMATION FROM THE WORKSHEET FROM ANGEL. Priorities for year one-</p> <p>Edeia asked that folks read the strategies and think about how their work applies to each area.</p> <p>Senior PharmAssist- add to sharing health information...</p> <p>Brad is helping people to navigate PREP in different avenues for those insured, uninsured, and underinsured. This is navigation and sharing information.</p> <p>Include Wellcare here as well.</p> <p>Include Eboni's work in the maternal health clinic at DCoDPH.</p> | | <p>Angel will send the updated document to the committee.</p> <p>Get printed copies of the Access to Care brochures to Mary Vinson. She has social workers she'd like to send them to.</p> |
| 9:45 -9:55 | <p>Announcements</p> <p>1. A High Fidelity WRAP (HFW) workshop will be taking place on January 23rd from 10 – 1. Please see the flyer for the details. HFW is a problem solving process that teaches families to get their needs met and voice heard in various systems. Everyone in welcome you can register at this link https://forms.gle/ChW3YYXATvC6uYch9</p> <p>2. March 13-14 The Mental Health committee in partnership with Durham County Department of Public Health. Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST): This training is a in person 2 day all day training that teaches participants to recognize when someone may have thoughts of suicide and work with them to create a plan that will support their immediate safety. Click the link to register https://forms.gle/TDzKMTFwETznoWqE9</p> | | |
| 9:50-10:00 | Adjourn | | |
| Next meeting: Thursday, February 13, 2024, at 9:00 am via Zoom. | | | |