



**NC Get Covered Coalition Meeting – Notes**  
**Health Care Policy Update, NC Get Covered Strategic Plan, and Preparing for OE5**  
**July 21, 2017, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.**  
**NC Hospital Association**  
**2400 Weston Parkway, Cary**

**Welcome, Purpose of Meeting, and Introductions**

Willona Stallings, Director, NC Get Covered

Linda Kinney, Executive Director, Care Share Health Alliance

- Care Share’s new Executive Director, Linda Kinney, introduced herself to coalition partners. Partners then introduced themselves to Linda by stating their names and the organizations they represent.

**Health Care Policy Update**

Brendan Riley, Policy Analyst, Health Advocacy Project, NC Justice Center

- Due to growing opposition, Senate did not vote on Better Care Reconciliation Act earlier this week.
- Senator McConnell plans to move forward with Repeal Only vote early next week.
- On Wednesday, a lunch was held at the White House on health care, resulting in a renewed effort on the repeal bill from 2015. That evening, a dinner was held to discuss ACA repeal and the Better Care Reconciliation Act was revived.
- On yesterday, the CBO scored new revision of bill but it didn’t include the Cruz Amendment.
- The plan moving forward is to introduce the House version of the bill and then amend with something (not sure what that “something” will be). This could happen as soon as Monday or Tuesday.
- The bill would require at least 20 hours of debate split between both chambers of Congress and a CBO score on any budget impacts.
- Trump administration released a study that painted a rosy picture of the Cruz amendment/ Study can’t be used in conjunction with CBO.
- Administration just terminated a couple of Outreach and Enrollment contracts, including a contract with Cognosante which serves the Charlotte area.
- What’s next? Lots of deal-making/ Trying to get motion to proceed

**Preparing for OE5: Assistors’ Calendar of Work**

Mark Van Arnam, Outreach Director, NC Navigator Consortium

- **See attached PowerPoint slides and Handout**
- Outreach is critical – Start now! Nothing has changed; OE5 is coming
- Lockdown calendars now
- Pre-enrollment – Set up accounts; make sure consumers are familiar with documents and overall process

- Post Connector appointments earlier (around Labor Day)
- Publicize! Talk about what you're doing everywhere you go/ Folks are still confused
- Get familiar with Qualified Health Plans/ Let consumers know what's available
- Hit the phones, spread the word, and fill appointments
- If you have questions, please contact Mark Van Arnam at [markv@legalaidnc.org](mailto:markv@legalaidnc.org)

### **NC Get Covered's Coalition Survey and Strategic Plan**

Willona Stallings, Director, NC Get Covered

- **See attached PowerPoint slides**

### **Wrap-up and Next Steps**

- We will reconvene on Friday, August 18 from 10:00-11:30am at the NC Hospital Association, located at 2400 Weston Parkway, Cary. Please mark your calendar!