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Health Steering Committee Business Meeting

Chair: Hon. Derek Young, Pierce County Council Chair
Pierce County, Wash.

Saturday, February 12 | 1:15 – 4:00 PM

Washington Hilton Hotel | Columbia 11 & 12, Terrace Level



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Welcome & Introductions





Health Steering Committee Leadership

Chair

- Hon. Derek Young | Chair, Pierce County, Wash.

Vice Chairs

- Hon. Clay Jenkins | County Judge, Dallas County, Texas
- Hon. Greg Puckett | Commissioner, Mercer County, W.Va.
- Hon. Helen Stone | Commissioner, Chatham County, Ga.
- Mr. Kenneth Wilson | County Administrator, Franklin County, Ohio
- Hon. Oliver Gilbert | Commissioner, Miami-Dade County, Fla.
- Hon. Toni Preckwinkle | Board President, Cook County, Ill.



Subcommittee Chairs

- Behavioral Health | Phyllis Randall, Chair-at Large, Loudoun County, Va.
- Long-Term Health | Tom Whiston, Commissioner, Morrow County, Ohio
- Medicaid and Indigent Care | Nick Macchione, Health & Human Services Agency Director, San Diego County, Calif.
- Public Health and Healthy Communities | Carol Moehrle, Public Health Director, Idaho North Central District

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Agenda

- 1:15 PM | Call to Order and Welcome
- 1:30 PM | Congressional Update: Health Policy “Hot Topics”
- 2:30 PM | Committee Business Meeting
- 3:30 PM | Health Policy Wins & Priorities Update
- 3:45 PM | Closing Remarks
- 4:00 PM | Meeting Concludes



Housekeeping

- Please sign-in at the resource table outside if you have not done so
- If you are a **member** of the Committee, please pick up your tent card with your name on it and be seated at the table
- Use standing microphones in the room for questions and comments
- ***Virtual attendees:*** As a reminder, your camera must be on in order to vote on the interim resolutions
- Please use the chat feature to communicate with us! You may also use the “Raise Hand” feature to be recognized for comment

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Congressional Update: Health Policy “Hot Topics”



Miranda Lynch-Smith

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Human Services Policy
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Evaluation



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QUESTIONS?



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Congressional Update: Health Policy “Hot Topics”



Rodney Whitlock, PhD
Vice President of Health Policy
McDermott + Consulting



WASHINGTON 2022

What can happen in health care this year

Rodney L. Whitlock, PhD

Vice President

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McDermott+
Consulting

LEGISLATING IN AN EVEN NUMBERED YEAR

Odd numbered
year: Policy
versus Politics

Even numbered
year: Politics
versus Policy

The window will
close quickly

WHITHER THE BBB?

- Reasons for optimism
- Reasons for pessimism
- What it means for us?

FUNDING THE GOVERNMENT

- Reasons for optimism
- Reasons for pessimism
- What it means for us?

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

- Emergency supplemental for disaster relief
- Additional dollars for health care?
- The reasons for additional funding are not the same as what is driving the conversation today

LEGISLATIVE OPPORTUNITIES IN 2022

Some legislation
is likely to be
considered in
2022

User Fee Acts
(UFAs)

Mental health,
substance use

CURES 2.0?

Telehealth and
other PHE
flexibilities

THE 2022 WILDCARD: THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY



LOOKING WAY AHEAD

- End of the fiscal year
- The midterms
- Lame duck

HOW MANY VOTING DAYS DOES THE HOUSE HAVE SCHEDULED BETWEEN JULY 29 AND THE ELECTION (70 BUSINESS DAYS)?



THE WINDOW FOR 2022 WILL CLOSE FAST



SO, ABOUT THE MIDTERMS



THE MIDTERM ELECTION IS ON NOVEMBER 8

2022 NOVEMBER						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

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THE TREND



WHO WAS THE LAST PRESIDENT TO GO INTO HIS FIRST MIDTERM WITH HIS PARTY IN CONTROL OF BOTH HOUSES AND CONTROL BOTH HOUSES AFTERWARD?





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Committee Business Meeting

Health Interim Resolutions

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202.765.1538



Voting in HSC Interim Policy Resolutions

Only HSC Steering Committee members can vote. NACo bylaws prohibit voting by proxy.

*If you are a Committee member in the room, please ensure that you have your tent card. If you do not have a tent card, please notify a NACo staff member.

Zoom Voting

- You must be on camera in order to vote
- Record your Yes vote using the **green check** under the Zoom “reactions” feature
- Record your No vote using the **red x** under the Zoom “reactions” feature
- Record your Abstain vote using the **blue arrows** under the Zoom “reactions” feature
- Three choices
 - Yes (support)
 - No (oppose)
 - Abstain
- You must click “submit” for your vote to count
- Once you submit, you cannot change your vote

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Health Policy Wins & Priorities Update



Blaire Bryant

Associate Legislative Director, Health
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2021 Health Policy Wins

- Historic Investments in Public Health
- Advancement of Key Medicaid Policies
 - *Medicaid Reentry Act (H.R.955/S.285)*
 - *Due Process Continuity of Care Act (S.2697/ House Bill Rep. Trone & Rep. Turner)*
- Health Equity



HSC Top 3 Policy Priorities 2021-2022

Position	Priority
1	Advance legislation and administrative changes that will enhance counties' abilities to provide comprehensive behavioral health services.
2	Protect the federal-state-local partnership structure for financing and delivering Medicaid services while maximizing flexibility to support local systems of care and improving health care access.
3	Protect funding for core local public health and prevention efforts. public's health and safety.



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Additional Meetings and Workshops

- ❑ Healthy Counties Advisory Board Meeting: Sunday, February 13 | 8:00 AM EST
- ❑ Federal Policy Landscape: Government Affairs Lightning Round Update: Monday, February 14 | 10:45 AM EST
- ❑ Reimagining the County Crisis Response System through 988 Implementation Workshop: Monday, February 14 | 1:45 – 3:00 PM EST
- ❑ Navigating Federal Resources to Improve Rural Covid-19 Response Efforts: Tuesday, February 15 | 8:00 – 9:15 AM EST



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