2022 NACo

LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE

FEBRUARY 12-16 | WASHINGTON HILTON | WASHINGTON, D.C.
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
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. 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
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
Congressional Update: Health Policy “Hot Topics”

Miranda Lynch-Smith
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Human Services Policy
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation
QUESTIONS?
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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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
WHO WAS THE LAST PRESIDENT TO GO INTO HIS FIRST MIDTERM WITH HIS PARTY IN CONTROL OF BOTH HOUSES AND CONTROL BOTH HOUSES AFTERWARD?
QUESTIONS?
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
Health Policy Wins & Priorities Update

Blaire Bryant
Associate Legislative Director, Health
NACo
2021 Health Policy Wins

- Historic Investments in Public Health

- Advancement of Key Medicaid Policies
  - Medicaid Reentry Act (H.R.955/S.285)

- Health Equity
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<td>Advance legislation and administrative changes that will enhance counties' abilities to provide comprehensive behavioral health services.</td>
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<td>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.</td>
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<td>Protect funding for core local public health and prevention efforts. public’s health and safety.</td>
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Healthy Counties Advisory Board Meeting: Sunday, February 13 | 8:00 AM EST

Federal Policy Landscape: Government Affairs Lightening 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
Thank you!