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TRILLIUM HEALTH RESOURCES GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: April 23, 2026

Board Members Present: (Noted present with an “X” mark)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Randy Abbott-Guilford County | <input type="checkbox"/> Tony Hunt-Hoke County |
| <input type="checkbox"/> English Albertson-Wayne County | <input type="checkbox"/> Sheron Mosby-Pasquotank County |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David Allen, Randolph County- <i>virtual</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Janice Nichols-Pender County |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marie Britt-Robeson County | <input type="checkbox"/> Michelle Osborne-Harnett County |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Holly Connor-Onslow County- <i>virtual</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wally Overman-Dare County- <i>virtual</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> L.S. Bo Dean, Jr.-New Hanover County- <i>virtual</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Wilson Raynor-Wayne County |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Walter Ferguson-Lee County | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Denauvo Robinson-Pasquotank County |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leann Henkel-Randolph County | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lizzy Toler, Wake County- <i>virtual</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laticia Hill-Godette-Pitt County | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lorraine Washington-Greene County- <i>virtual</i> |

Staff:

Terrell Alston, LaDonna Battle, Brian Boykin, Amy Davis, Christie Edwards, Joy Futrell, Senitria Goodman, Victoria Jackson, Lisa A. Jarman, Dr. Mike Lewis, Bobby Lowe, Cecelia Peers, Dave Peterson, Hayley Sink, Matt Stocks, Anthony Ward

Guests:

Micah Tyler, Kaley Muldin, Martina Baldwin, Ayabami Johnson, and Daniel Owens of Life Springs Restoration Center.

John Thompson, NC Medicaid

Chris Gordon, CFO NC Medicaid

Michele Merritt, NC Medicaid

Jeremy Hicks, Clifton Larson Allen, LLP

Agenda:

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Ethics Statement
- IV. Adoption of the Agenda
- V. Consent Agenda
 - i. Draft Governing Board Minutes-February 26, 202
 - ii. Mid-State Regional Advisory Board Minutes-November 25, 2025
 - iii. Mid-State Regional Advisory Board Minutes-January 27, 2026
 - iv. North Central Regional Advisory Board Minutes-November 25, 2025
 - v. North Central Regional Advisory Board Minutes-January 27, 2026
 - vi. Northern Regional Advisory Board Minutes-January 13, 2026

- vii. Council on Health Disparities Minutes-February 16, 2026
- viii. Provider Council Minutes-January 15, 2026
- ix. Clinical Advisory Committee Minutes-February 6, 2026
- x. Policies and Procedures
 - i. Information Security Program Management (PM)
 - ii. Quality Management and Improvement Program (QMIP) Description-Retired 3-17-2026
 - iii. Policy Development
 - iv. Procedure Development
- VI. Public Comments
- VII. Board Comments/Concerns
- VIII. CEO Report
- IX. Chair Report
- X. Convene Finance Committee Meeting
- XI. Closed Session pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3), and 143-318.11(a)(1)
- XII. Adjournment

I. Call to Order

The Trillium Health Resources Governing Board meeting was held in person at the StateView Hotel in Raleigh, NC and via Webex on April 23, 2026.

II. Roll Call

Governing Board Clerk, Ms. Lisa Jarman, performed the roll call. There was no quorum, therefore official business could not be conducted.

III. Ethics Statement

Board Vice Chair, Dr. Laticia Hill-Godette, read the Ethics Statement. In accordance with Chapter 138A of the North Carolina General statutes, every Board member has a duty to avoid both conflicts of interest and the appearance of conflict. No Board member disclosed any conflict.

IV. Adoption of the Agenda

Presented. No action taken due to lack of quorum.

V. Consent Agenda

Presented. No action taken due to lack of quorum.

VI. Public Comments

A team from Life Springs Restoration Center located in Sanford NC expressed their appreciation to Trillium for support in their grass roots, nonprofit organization. The center is dedicated to transforming lives by offering hope and restoration to those facing homelessness, hunger, and life-controlling issues.

Mr. Wes Rider expressed his dissatisfaction with the lack of non-secular recovery programs and education in his area.

Ms. Crystal Foster thanked the Board for raising awareness of 7-hydroxymitragynine (aka 7-OH) and Kratom. She also expressed her appreciation to Jason Swartz, Trillium's Senior Pharmacy Director, for presenting on Kratom to the State to Local meeting scheduled for May 27, 2026

Board Training

Ms. Michele Merritt, analysts at NC Medicaid introduced Mr. Chris Gordon, CFO NC Medicaid. The North Carolina statutory required training was conducted specifically on Medicaid Managed Care Capital Adequacy, Liquidity, Medical Loss Ratio and Risk Corridor. Mr. Gordon reviewed Trillium's performance on Core Measures.

VII. Board Comments/Concerns

Mr. Wally Overman notified the Board of a new dangerous substance called Medetomidine. The substance is more potent than xylidine. Users are mixing it with fentanyl, and it is also being placed in other products. Mr. Overman stated that he would send additional information to the entire Board.

Mr. Randy Abbott mentioned a palm card that lists vital information on Medetomidine and stated that he would send the information to the entire Board.

Ms. Holly Connor expressed her appreciation for a presentation delivered by Ms. Cindy Ehlers and Mr. Dave Richards at the recent North Carolina Developmental Council policy update meeting. They presented suggestions to ensure the Tailored Plans are executed in a way that is going to meet the needs of the members. They also discussed how enrollment in the Innovations Waiver is not the only option available to serve the I/DD population.

Ms. Connor also expressed her concern about the caseload of Care Managers and asked that Trillium re-evaluate the caseload numbers.

Ms. Marie Britt expressed her gratitude to Bobby Lowe, Dave Peterson, Anthony Ward, Cecelia Peers, and Victoria Jackson for their involvement in the THRive Local luncheons.

Dr. Denauvo Robinson expressed his appreciation and gratitude for the award he received while attending a recent THRive Local luncheon.

VIII. Meeting Cadence and Location

Ms. Joy Futrell led the discussion on the meeting location and cadence for the upcoming fiscal year Governing Board meetings and stated that voting on the specifics would take place during the June 25, 2026, Board meeting.

IX. CEO's Report

Ms. Futrell provided updates on Trillium operations:

Community Update

Ms. Futrell thanked the Board members for their support for the THRive Local luncheons.

Ms. Futrell stated that over the past year, Trillium's TULA team has been actively sharing its innovative remote support technology with audiences across North Carolina. The team has been asked to present at the upcoming Side by Side and State CFAC meetings.

Trillium recently attended the ribbon cutting celebration for the new Behavioral Health Urgent Care in Robeson County that was opened in partnership with Southeastern Integrated Care.

Operations Update

Ms. Futrell provided an update on the Trillium property restructuring, stating that the property project team continues to move forward with plans to realign certain properties.

Trillium applied for four of the six regional NC Roots Hubs opportunities and expects to know the outcome soon. If awarded, it will require a sub-governance structure and new staff to manage the funds and monitor the program.

Trillium has received an allocation to work with the National Association of State Head Injury administrators to work on a statewide online screening system that determines the exposure to brain injury in a person's lifetime and identifies any associated problems that are present.

Another TBI initiative is the distribution of bicycle helmets. The team has distributed helmets to two tribes, and one faith based community nonprofit organization.

Legislative Update

Ms. Futrell stated that the House and Senate recently passed the bill to close the \$319 million gap for the Medicaid rebase. She led the discussion regarding the Joint Legislative Committee on Health and Human Services that recently intensified its focus on the Research Based Behavioral Health Treatment services. Trillium has been closely aligned with this work, advancing several complimentary efforts to enforce effective care models that improve outcomes and reduce spend.

Recently, a select group of health plan leaders and statewide advocates were invited to attend a focused roundtable discussion on the Medicaid rebase and the growing Medicaid funding crisis facing North Carolina.

A detailed report was included in the meeting materials.

X. Chair's Report

Dr. Robinson commended the Board for the work they do and the time they devote to the organization, and he thanked the staff for their dedication.

Dr. Robinson requested a motion to enter into a recess prior to convening the Finance Committee meeting.

Motion was made by Dr. Laticia Hill-Godette to enter a recess and convene the Finance Meeting. Ms. Janice Nichols made a second. The motion carried.

XI. Convene Finance Committee Meeting

Dr. Robinson stated that Jeremy Hicks of Clifton Larson Allen (CLA) would be presenting the draft Trillium Health Resources fiscal year 2024-2025 Financial Audit during the Finance Committee portion of the meeting.

XII. Closed Session

At 6:47 pm, the Board went into Closed Session pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3), and 143-318.11(a)(1).

The Governing Board resumed open session at 7:05 p.m.

XV. Adjournment

Dr. Robinson asked for any further business to be brought before the Board. As there was none, he asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion was made by Mr. Walter Ferguson to adjourn the April 23, 2026, Governing Board meeting. Dr. Laticia Hill-Godette made a second. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

The next Governing Board meeting is scheduled for June 25, 2026.

Minutes prepared by Lisa A. Jarman



Lisa A. Jarman, Minutes Recorder

6-25-2026
Date



Dr. Denauvo Robinson, Chairperson

6-25-2026
Date