

PROVIDER COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Chair: English Albertson, BS, QP | Chief Strategy Officer | Primary Health Choice, Inc. |

President of the Provider Council

Date: May 8, 2025

Location: Virtual – Microsoft Teams

Time: <u>10:00 AM - 12:00 PM</u>

Provider Council Members	Present	
Angie Rouse, BS, QP CEO Riverbend Services, Inc.	×	
Ashley Sparks, MSW, LCSW Executive Director – Child & Adolescent Facility	×	
Based Crisis Program Alexander Youth Network		
Barry Dixon, MA CEO Dixon Social Interactive Services	×	
Brittany Jozefowicz, MA, LCMHC Owner Open Gate Counseling Services,		
PLLC		
Candice Brinkley, BA, QP Area Director I/DD Eastern NC Home Care		
Management Corp.		
Chris Faulkner, LCSW Group Practice Owner Family Solutions, PLLC	X	
Debbie Lee Stehling, BS, QP I VP of Operations, Long Term Supports and		
Services Monarch		
Diane Henry, MSN, BSN, RN-BC Clinical Director of Behavioral Services First		
Health of the Carolinas, Inc. Behavioral Services		
English Albertson, BS, QP Chief Strategy Officer Primary Health Choice, Inc.	×	
Eric Christian, MA Ed., LCMHC, NCC Director of Behavioral Health	\boxtimes	
Integrations Community Care of North Carolina		
Jeannie King, MS Regional Vice President Pinnacle Family Services of NC,	\boxtimes	
LLC		
Jennifer Moore, MA Operations Director A Caring Heart Case Management	×	
Jerry Earnhardt, MS, LCMHCS, LCMHC Regional Operations Director for Triad	\boxtimes	
Area I Daymark Recovery Services		
Joyce Barnes, QP, BS Program Manager Herbert Reid Home, Inc.	×	
Kelvin Barnhill CEO Better Days Ahead		
Kerri Erb, QP, MPA Chief Program Officer Autism Society of NC	X	
Leann Henkel Mid-State CFAC Chairperson Precision Fabrication	\boxtimes	
Linda McDaniel, MSN, RN, CCM, CMCN Utilization Review Nurse Crossroads		
Behavioral Health Unit - Carolina East Medical Center		
Luanne Welch, BS CEO/President Easter Seals UCP North Carolina & Virginia,	\boxtimes	
Inc. & PORT Health Services, Inc		
Margaret Weller-Stargell, BA President & CEO Coastal Horizons Center		



Provider Council Members	Present
Melani Green, LCMHC, LCAS, CCS-I Owner & CEOI The M.E. Green House	×
Melody Campbell, MA CEO & Director Carolinas Home Care Agency	
Natasha Holley, LCSW, LCAS, CCS CEO Integrated Family Services	
Patrice Bryant, MS, LCMHC, QS, LCAS-A CEO Yotaron Enrichment Resource	×
Center	
Roger Jones VP of Operations, Eastern Region RHA	×
Ron Rau, BA, MBA President & CEO Alcohol & Drug Services of Guilford, Inc.	×
Russell Herring CEO AssistedCare at Home	×
Seslie Roughton, BS, QP Chief Operations Officer - Eastern Region Skill	X
Creations	
Steve Hess Chief Program Officer Family Service of the Piedmont, Inc.	×
Tieka Martin-Green Outreach Coordinator and Consultant The Lighthouse	×
Home	
Tonya Fuller-Johnson Owner/CEO Miss Daisy's & Associates/Miss Daisy's	×
Gentlemen of the Future	
Victor Moore, PHD Business, MBA Director Progressive Care Services	×

Trillium Representative Attendees (Present)
Amanda Outlaw Associate Vice President of Network Accreditation & Policies
Brooke Mickelson Director of Program Coordination
Carol Bowen Network Accountability Administrative Assistant
Chauncey Dameron Provider Relations and Engagement Manager
Cheryl Slack Contracting and VBP Administrative Assistant
Dana Painter I Contracts Monitoring Manager
David Giron Quality Management Head of Performance Measures
Jamie Robertson I Provider Relations Administrative Assistant
Katrina Jones Contracts Manager
Kimberly Wagner Provider Relations and Engagement Manager
Krissy Vestal Quality Management Head of Performance Improvement
Linda Hawley Isbell Associate Vice President of Provider Relations and Engagement and
Provider Support Services
MaKenna Medlin I Contracts Monitoring Support Specialist
Trillium Representative Attendees (Present)
Meagan Evans Hospital Consultant
Meg Sanders I Provider Data Management Manager

1. Agenda Topic: Call of Meeting to Order and Reminder about Recording Software Presenter(s): English Albertson

Discussion	•	English called the meeting meeting attendees that the features including, but no to assist with transcription is not permitted.	ne use of Artificial Inte t limited to, programs	lligence (AI) and/or apps
Conclusions	•	N/A		
Action Items			Person(s) Responsible	Deadline
• N/A			N/A	N/A

2. Agenda Topic: Establish Quorum Presenter(s): English Albertson

Discussion	 A quorum was established for today's meeting. 		
Conclusions	• N/A		
Action Items		Person(s) Responsible	Deadline
• N/A		N/A	N/A

3. Agenda Topic: Approval of Meeting Agenda

Presenter(s): English Albertson

Discussion	•	Ron Rau made a motion to approve today's meeting agenda as written; Barry Dixon seconded the motion. Today's meeting agenda was unanimously approved by the Provider Council.		
Conclusions	•	N/A		
Action Items			Person(s)	Deadline
			Responsible	
 N/A 			N/A	N/A

4. Agenda Topic: Final Vote of March 13, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Presenter(s): English Albertson

Discussion	•	 The March 13, 2025 meeting minutes will need a final vote 		
		at the July 10, 2025 meeting.		
Conclusions	•	N/A		
Action Items			Person(s)	Deadline
			Responsible	
• N/A			N/A	N/A

5. Agenda Topic: Trillium Quality Management HEDIS and NC HealthConnex Presentation Presenter(s): Krissy Vestal / David Giron

Discussion	 Krissy and David presented on Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) and NC HealthConnex. There seem to be transportation barriers for homeless members to receive access to their services. Housing will be discussed at the next Provider Forum on May 14, 2025. All providers will have access to NC HealthConnex. 		
Conclusions	• N/A		
Action Items		Person(s) Responsible	Deadline
•	ion regarding transportation de an update at the next	Linda	N/A

6. Agenda Topic: Medicaid Expansion Question from Provider Council Presenter(s): Linda Isbell

Discussion	Question:
	Council members might be interested to know if Trillium and
	the State have any contingency plans in place for consumers
	who might lose coverage if Medicaid expansion suddenly ends
	in North Carolina. For example, would state funding be
	available to cover the services of the newly uninsured?
	Hopefully, providers won't have to discharge these consumers
	who lose coverage due to no fault of their own.
	Response:
	With all services managed by Trillium, funding for services is
	contingent on the funding received from NCDHHS and is
	directly impacted by federal funding. If Medicaid expansion was
	eliminated, it would be a financial burden on our single stream
	funds. Many of those members would once again become
	dependent on those funds for their BH, IDD, TBI and SUD
	needs. It would mean that those service funds would not be
	available for other projects. To prepare for uncertainties and
	funding, we are working through various funding model
	possibilities and developing contingency plans.
Conclusions	• N/A

Action Items	Person(s) Responsible	Deadline
• N/A	N/A	N/A

7. Agenda Topic: Provider Council Member Conflict of Interest Form Presenter(s): English Albertson

Discussion	submitted Conflict of Inte submit as soon as possible Forms must be submitted meeting in July. English reminded council Smartsheet form Carol se	English reminded council members to complete the Smartsheet form Carol sent out via e-mail to gather populations and regions served data.	
Conclusions	• N/A		
Action Items Person(s) Deadling Responsible		Deadline	
 Outreach members that have not submitted their forms via e-mail. 		English	N/A

8. Agenda Topic: New Provider Survey

Presenter(s): Linda Isbell

Discussion	 The Provider Survey last year was successful and there was great response from the Provider Network.
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	 The data from the survey was used for the Provider Forum
	and addressed topics to ensure provider needs were being
	met.
	 There were seven (7) main topics and lots of write in topics.
	 The May 14th meeting will consist of seven (7) topics and a
	Provider Direct overview.
	 Linda asked council members to participate in completing
	the survey as well as encourage other providers to
	participate.
	 The link was shown on the website and shared with the
	council members.
	 The survey went out yesterday and will be out through the
	first week in June to allow for a thirty (30) day timeline to
	complete.
Conclusions	• N/A

Action Items	Person(s) Responsible	Deadline
• N/A	N/A	N/A

9. Agenda Topic: Subcommittee Report Out Presenter(s): Jerry Earnhardt / Chris Faulkner

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Discussion Discussion	 The subcommittee has been meeting every other week for the past several months with a few issues to resolve. Jerry and Chris agreed to co-chair the subcommittee. Twenty-three (23) of thirty-two (32) council members have completed the populations and regions served Smartsheet form sent out via e-mail. Nine (9) members have not submitted the form. The subcommittee has also been discussing offboarding several members that have missed the attendance threshold. Linda McDaniel has submitted her resignation via e-mail and recommended a replacement. The replacement will need to adhere to the by-law application process. The subcommittee proposes term limits run from July 1, 2024 to July 1, 2025 to ensure consistency with yearly roll-offs. The first group is set to roll-off July 1, 2025. Members have been randomly assigned to three groups to determine when they will roll-off. Members were not previously assigned at consolidation. Applications will be accepted for review when a specific population/region does not have adequate representation. Items for vote: Provider Council By-Law amendment to change the maximum voting members from forty (40) to thirty-five (35). [page 6 0f 10] Barry Dixon made a motion to approve the amendment; Kerri Erb seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by the Provider
	Council. 2. Provider Council By-Law amendment to update
	Membership Terms of Group 1, 2, and 3's Reappointment

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• Jeanne King made a motion to approve the

amendment; Luann Welch seconded the motion. The

	motion was unanimously approved by the Provider Council.			
Conclusions	 N/A 			
Action Items	Action Items Person(s) Deadli			
		Responsible		
Resend Smartsheet form link via e-mail to		Carol	N/A	
council member	s that have not completed.			
Notifications will be sent out to each member				
identifying their group and term roll-off. Engl				

10. Agenda Topic: Confirm Next Provider Council Meeting

Presenter(s): English Albertson

Discussion	•	The next Provider Council meeting will be held Thursday, July 10, 2025, from 10am-12pm.		
Conclusions	•	N/A		
Action Items			Person(s) Responsible	Deadline
• N/A			N/A	N/A

11. Agenda Topic: Agenda Topic Reminders

Presenter(s): English Albertson

Discussion	One topic for the next me	One topic for the next meeting has been submitted.		
	 Please send topics to Jam 	Please send topics to Jamie Robertson.		
Conclusions	• N/A			
Action Items		Person(s)	Deadline	
		Responsible		
• N/A		N/A	N/A	

12. Agenda Topic: Meeting Adjournment

Presenter(s): English Albertson

Discussion	•	Jerry Earnhardt made a motion to adjourn the meeting;		
		Barry Dixon seconded the motion. The motion was		
		unanimously approved by the Provider Council.		
Conclusions	•	N/A		
Action Items			Person(s)	Deadline
			Responsible	
• N/A			N/A	N/A

Next Meeting Date: July 10, 2025

(Meetings convene from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM)

Supporting documents are proprietary and can be requested by contacting the Provider Council Secretary.

Respectfully Submitted by: Carol Bowen (Administrative Assistant) / Interim Secretary to the Trillium Provider Council