

Meeting Minutes

Joint Commission on Health Care-Study Breakout Group Meetings

May 18, 2021 – 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. (Virtual Meetings)

Strategies to Support Aging Virginians in their Communities Meeting- 1 pm

Members Present: Delegate Adams, Delegate Brewer, Delegate Fariss, Delegate Hope, Delegate Orrock, Senator Hashmi

Members heard briefings relating to aging in place from the following stakeholders: Ron Boyd President/CEO from the Local Office on Aging and Kathy E. Vesley President/CEO Bay Aging/ VAAACares, Melissa Andrews President & CEO and Dana Parsons Vice President & Legislative Counsel from LeadingAge Virginia, Kim Tarantino, Deputy Director from Virginia Navigator and Dr. Richard Lindsay from the Lindsay Institute for Innovations in Caregiving.

Health Insurance Affordability in the Individual Market Meeting- 2 pm

Members Present: Delegate Hope, Delegate Fariss, Delegate Samirah, Senator Barker, Senator Favola, Senator Hashmi, Senator Suetterlein

Members heard briefings related to health insurance affordability from the following stakeholders: Sara Cariano, Policy Specialist and Lead Health Insurance Navigator from the Virginia Poverty Law Center, Julie Dime, Vice President of Government Advocacy & Brent Rawlings, Senior Vice President & General Counsel from the Virginia Hospital and Health Care Association, Scott Castro, Director of Health Policy from the Medical Society of Virginia, and Doug Gray, Executive Director from the Virginia Association of Health Plans.

Impact of Long-Term Care Workforce Needs on Nursing Facility Care Meeting- 3 pm Members Present: Delegate Fariss, Delegate Hodges, Delegate Hope, Delegate Sickles, Delegate Watts, Senator Barker, Senator Favola, Senator Hashmi, Senator Kiggans

Members heard briefings related to nursing facilities from the following stakeholders: Rebekah Allen, Senior Policy Analyst from the Virginia Department of Health, Office of Licensure & Certification, Dr. Christian Bergman, Assistant Professor, VCU Division of Geriatric Medicine from Virginia Commonwealth University, Jonathan Mattingly, Director, Provider Reimbursement Division from the Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS), and James Walker, Director, Office of Value Based Purchasing from DMAS. Members asked several follow-up questions of the guest presenters, which the stakeholder answered.

All briefings can be accessed in the Archives with the following link:

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