



Meeting Minutes - Joint Commission on Health Care

October 5, 2022 – 10:00 a.m.

Senate Room A – Pocahontas Building

Members Present

Delegate Dawn Adams
Delegate Karen Greenhalgh
Delegate M. Keith Hodges
Delegate Patrick Hope
Delegate Robert Orrock

Senator George Barker
Senator Siobhan Dunnavant
Senator Barbara Favola
Senator Ghazala Hashmi
Senator David Suetterlein

Members Absent

Delegate Emily Brewer
Delegate C. Matthew Fariss
Delegate C.E. (Cliff) Hayes, Jr.
Delegate Sam Rasoul
Delegate Roxann Robinson
Senator Jen Kiggans
Senator John S. Edwards
Senator Jennifer McClellan

Staff Present

Jeff Lunardi
Agnes Dymora
Kyu Kang
Estella Obi-Tabot
Stephen Weiss
Brittany Acors

Call to order and welcoming comments – Senator Barker

Roll Call - Agnes Dymora

Associate Health Policy Analyst Estella Obi-Tabot presented findings from the report on the *Affordability of Assisted Living Facilities*. The presentation included a review of ALFs in Virginia, sufficiency of the Auxiliary Grant (AG) rate, Medicaid coverage of assisted living, alternative community settings for AG recipients, and improvements to the current Auxiliary Grant program. Members asked questions and engaged in a discussion of the findings and policy options. The staff report can be found on the Reports tab of the JCHC website.

Senior Health Policy Analyst Stephen Weiss provided an overview of the findings and policy options for the Emergency Department Utilization study, and summarized the public comments that were received from stakeholders. Members asked questions and discussed which policy options should be considered during the December meeting.

Executive Director Jeff Lunardi provided an update to the Members on the FOIA policy discussion and study topics status from the Executive Subcommittee.

Meeting adjourned