



## Meeting Minutes - Joint Commission on Health Care

July 17, 2024 – 10:00 a.m.

House Subcommittee Room C – General Assembly Building

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### Members Present

Delegate Rodney Willett

Delegate N. Baxter Ennis

Delegate Cliff Hayes

Delegate M. Keith Hodges

Delegate Cia Price

Delegate Atoosa Reaser

Delegate Mark Sickles

Delegate Howard Wachsmann

Senator Barbara Favola

Senator Ghazala Hashmi

Senator L. Louise Lucas

Senator Mamie Locke

Senator Stella Pekarsky

Senator Todd Pillion (virtual)

Senator David Suetterlein

### Members Absent

Delegate Patrick Hope

Delegate Robert Orrock

Senator Christopher Head

### Staff Present

Sarah Stanton

Jen Piver-Renna

Emily Atkinson

Agnes Dymora

Kyu Kang

Estella Obi-Tabot

Call to order and welcoming comments – Delegate Willett

Roll Call - Agnes Dymora

Executive Director Sarah Stanton gave an overview of the meeting agenda and introduced a few COVES Fellows that were present at the meeting.

Dr. Dr. Koeun Choi and Emily Atkinson provided a presentation on the *Impact of Technology Use on Children's Health*.

Dr. Koeun Choi, Assistant Professor, Department of Human Development and Family Science, and Director, Cognitive Developmental Science Lab, Virginia Tech spoke about the statistics of technology use by children aged 0-18. She discussed the benefits and risks of media use and spoke about ways in which caregivers can be involved in making media use safe and beneficial to children. She also answered member questions.

Heather Morton, Director, Financial Services, Technology, and Communications & Flora Fouladi, Health Policy Associate, National Conference of State Legislatures were not able to present due to a technology error.

Emily Atkinson focused her presentation on what is being done in Virginia to implement online safety for children. She discussed the legislation that passed in the last three sessions dealing with the topic and reported on which Virginia agencies are implementing initiatives on children's technology use and in what ways they are doing it.

Estella Obi-Tabot provided a presentation on *Services for Individuals with Traumatic Brain Injury in Long-Term Care Facilities*. She provided a description of brain injuries and the available services existing in Virginia for individuals afflicted with brain injuries. Estella discussed the criteria for which assisted-living facilities would have to meet to be eligible to provide services to individuals with brain injuries. Lastly, Estella discussed the two programs currently available through DMAS for eligible individuals with brain injuries.

Sarah Stanton provided members with future meeting dates including the change to the December meeting date.

Meeting adjourned.