

CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH  
AUGUST 19, 2025 - 6:00 PM  
1235 RAMSEY STREET  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Kingsley Momodu, Dentist, Chair  
Dr. Cynthia McArthur-Kearney, Registered Nurse  
Dr. Sam Fleishman, Physician  
Dr. Kent Dean, Veterinarian  
Vice Chairwoman Commissioner Veronica Jones

Dr. Olusola Ojo, Pharmacist, Vice Chair  
Mr. Joseph Fiser, General Public Representative  
Dr. Jennifer Brayboy-Locklear, General Public Representative

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Jennifer Green, Health Director  
Ms. Tamra Morris, Deputy Health Director  
Mrs. Heather Skeens, Assistant County Manager  
Dr. Lori Haigler, Medical Director  
Mrs. Candi York, Business Officer  
Dr. Krystle Vinson, Nursing Director  
Ms. Sanquis Graham, Local Public Health Administrator  
Mrs. Kelly Smith, Administrative Assistant to the Public Health Director  
Mrs. Natalie Collins, Public Nursing Supervisor Child Health/Immunizations

**WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Dr. Kingsley Momodu welcomed all guests and called the meeting to order. Introductions were given. A moment of silence was taken.

**ACTION ITEMS**

A. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Dr. Sam Fleishman to approve the Board of Health Agenda  
SECOND: Dr. Kent Dean  
VOTE: Unanimous (5-0)

B. Approval of June 17, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Dr. Sam Fleishman moved to approve the Board of Health Minutes  
SECOND: Dr. Kent Dean  
VOTE: Unanimous (5-0)

C. Approval of Bad Debt Write Off

MOTION: Dr.Sam Fleisham moved to approve Bad Debt Write Off.  
SECOND: Dr. Kent Dean  
VOTE: Unanimous (5-0)

D. Approval to Waive fees for Flu, COVID, and RSV

MOTION: Dr. Sam Fleishman moved to approve to waive fees for  
Flu, COVID, and RSV  
SECOND: Dr. Kent Dean  
VOTE: Unanimous (5-0)

E. Approval of Policies (02-01) (02-02) (02-03) (02-04) (02-05)

MOTION: Dr. Sam Fleishman moved to approve policies  
SECOND: Dr. Kent Dean  
VOTE Unanimous (5-0)

F. Approval to establish a nominating committee for open Board positions

MOTION: Dr. Sam Fleishman moved to establish a nomination  
committee for open Board positions  
SECOND: Dr. Kent Dean  
VOTE: Unanimous (5-0)

**INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**Action Item C.**

- Mrs. Candi York presented to the Board delinquent accounts that 90 days old or older as of 6/30/2025. The total debt is \$10,877.98 and all bad debts with balances over \$50.00 or higher, will be sent to the North Carolina Debt Set-Off Program, which can attach a debtor's State Income Tax Refund for payment of bad debts.

**Action Item D.**

- Dr. Green explained that there have been no changes to the fees for COVID, Flu, and RSV vaccines. While most insurance companies cover the cost of these vaccines, children are covered under the Federal Vaccines for Children program. RSV vaccines for maternity patients are on a sliding fee scale. Uninsured and underinsured adults do not have coverage. Administration fee for one vaccine is \$24.00.

**Action Item E.**

- Dr. Green explained to the Board that only one policy had an update and that was shown and discussed while all others remained unchanged.

**Action Item F.**

- Dr. Green discussed with the Board that we currently have 3 vacant positions, and 1 upcoming vacancy on the Board. Engineer, Optometrist, Physician (as of December 31,2025) and General Representative. Dr. Fleishman, Dr. Dean and Dr. McArthur-Kearney volunteered to be on the nominating committee and the meeting will be held within the next week. Board Members were handed the Board of Health Operating Procedures and a membership list.

**Public Comment**

Dr. Momodu opened the floor for public comments at 6:30pm. There being no public comments registered, Dr. Momodu closed the floor for public comment at 6:31pm.

**Financial Reports:**

Mrs. York presented the monthly financial reports for the month ending July 31, 2025. The statement of Revenues and Expenditures exceeded in the amount of \$1,868,609.83. Expenditures by program was reviewed and overall, we are at 5.68% for the month ending July 31, 2025. Revenue by source was reviewed as well showing we have earned 5.99% as of the end of July 31, 2025. Accounts receivables were reviewed by clinics as well as the private pay aging report ending July 31, 2025.

**Immunization's Update:**

Mrs. Natalie Collins reviewed her staffing for Immunization and Child Health. 2025 Goals include filling vacant positions, increasing the number of children seen in the child health clinic through promotion and opening more appointments on the schedule. These groups would like to participate in more community outreach especially the under served population. Immunizations Department will participate in the back to school and FLU outreach events at the Senior Recreational Centers. Their QI goal is to increase their HPV vaccination rate among adolescence, especially males.

**External Reports:**

Dr. Green presented the consultant report from their visit with our CMARC division. This assessment took place between July 2024 - April 2025. Overall, the visit went well with alot of strengths recognized and very few needs. A goal plan was developed for staff to continue the CMARC expectations.

**Director's Report:**

Dr. Ojo attended NACCHO 2025, and although she is not here this evening, she reports back that it was a wonderful conference with alot of good information for Board Members. NACO 2025 Achievement Awards went to us for WIC on Ft. Bragg, Cumberland County Connected Care Program, Cumberland -Fayetteville Opioid Response Team (C-FORT) Partner Portal, Cumberland -Fayetteville Opioid Response Team, Cumberland County Healthy Conversations, Cumberland County Baby Store. NC Association of County Commissioners 2025 Civic Excellence in Innovation Awards went to Healthy Conversations.

State/Federal Funding and Legislative Updates: Mini-budget passed the NC House and Senate. Funds \$600 million rebase for Medicaid(\$419 million shortfall)

Impacts to NC DHHS budget

NC DHHS is anticipating significant impacts to MCD/SNAP - NC DHHS is under a hiring freeze. Scope of the impact will depend on action taken by the general assembly.

GA has 2 options for SNAP for 2027-2028

Starting in 2027-28, appropriate up to \$420 million in the state budget to fund the full benefit cost share.

Withdraw from the SNAP program.

Medicaid Rebase - Rebase = funding required to maintain current service levels for beneficiaries. NCDHHS will cut \$319 million from Medicaid by implementing rate reductions effective October 1, 2025. 3% across all providers - primary care, lab/x-ray, CMARC/CMHRP rate reductions of 8% or 10% for select providers - Family planning. This will end the optional coverage of GLP-1 drugs. Managed care organizations that operate the Standard Plans will sustain a reduction to their capitation rate of 1.5% - will be passing along to providers. Currently assessing impact to health department budget. Expected updated Medicaid fee schedule in September. We will bring back any proposed changes in October/November.

Children and Families Specialty Plan still planned to launch in December 2025. Medicaid expansion is not part of the Medicaid rebase funding because it does not utilize state general funds. Federal reconciliation law (H.R.1.) introduces new requirements, including Medicaid work requirements and increased frequency of eligibility determination. Delay re-procurement of Standard Plan contracts and Tailored Plan contracts.

We're anticipating significant changes to the federal public health landscape that will impact state and local health departments

Many health department programs utilize a variety of funding sources

MCD, federal, state, local funds, fees, etc.

NC DHHS heavily relies on federal funding

Federal funds pass through NC DHHS to locals via our AAs

HHS.(federal) is being reorganized

Federal proposals suggest slashing CDC budget by more than half

Some CDC programs will be eliminated, others will be moved

With few exceptions, we don't yet know program specific funding impacts

Delayed notice of awards for- HIV Prevention & Surveillance Federal Grant and BCCCCP

SAMHSA/BJA grants are operating under Temporary Restraining Order

State tobacco funding maintain, federal funding eliminated; maintained positions with JUUL funding.

Membership Roster/Attendance Roster:

Dr. Momodu ask the Board Members to review the attendance roster and let it be known if there were any errors.

Board Member Comments: None

As a reminder, we do not have a meeting in September . Our next regular meeting is Tuesday, October 21, 2025 at 6pm.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Dr. Cynthia McArthur-Kearney moved to adjourn.

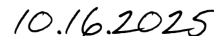
SECOND: Dr. Sam Fleishman

VOTE: Unanimous (5-0)

The meeting was adourned at 7:06pm.



Dr. Jennifer Green, Director



Date



Dr. Kingsley Momodu, Dentist, Chair



Date