

MINUTES
STATEWIDE HEALTH COORDINATING COUNCIL
September 11, 2025

The Statewide Health Coordinating Council (SHCC) held its quarterly meeting on Thursday, September 11, 2025, virtually via web conference. The minimum number of council members required by law was present in room 387 of the RSA Union building at 100 North Union Street in Montgomery, Alabama.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Elaine Beech (In-Person)
Mr. Frank Brown
Ms. Brenda Carlisle
Mr. Ralph Clark
Ms. Terri Connell
Mr. Mark Edwards
Ms. Barbara Estep (In-Person)
Mr. Keith Granger
Ms. Marcilla Gross (In-Person)
Mr. Bert Guy
Honorable Stephanie Kemmer
Ms. Dare Underwood Meeks
Mr. Don Owens
Mr. Simeon Penton
Dr. Carol Ratcliffe
Mr. Danny Rickert
Mr. J. Tuerk Schlesinger
Mr. Mark Traylor
Dr. Mickey Trimm

SHPDA STAFF PRESENT

Ms. Emily T. Marsal, Executive Director
Mr. Bradford L. Williams
Ms. Toni Ferguson
Ms. Teresa Lee
Ms. Jelena Magallon
Ms. Kristin F. Norman

COUNCIL MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Mr. James Clements
Mayor Harold Crouch
Representative Jeremy Gray
Mr. Dean Griffin
Mr. David Hunt
Mr. Carey McRae
Senator Tim Melson
Dr. David Montiel
Dr. Wilburn Smith
Ms. Lisa Teel
Mr. Hodges Washington
Mr. Gregg Waycaster
Dr. Scott Harris

LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE

Mr. Mark Wilkerson, Esq.

COURT REPORTER PRESENT

Angie Jackson

A copy of the register of participants is on file in the office of the State Health Planning and Development Agency.

Chairman Elaine Beech called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m. Mrs. Emily T. Marsal, Executive Director of the State Health Planning and Development Agency, performed a roll call and confirmed

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a quorum. Chairman Beech requested a motion to adopt the agenda. Ms. Marcilla Gross motioned to adopt the agenda, seconded by Ms. Barbara Estep. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Beech requested a motion to adopt the minutes from the June 10, 2025, meeting. Ms. Terri Connell motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Ms. Barbara Estep. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair's Report

Chairman Beech welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Statewide Health Coordinating Council.

New Business

Executive Director Emily T. Marsal updated the Council on SHPDA's most recent task from the Governor's Office in writing the State Plan and Application regarding the Rural Health Transformation Program. A work group will be created soon to assist in this endeavor. Information from CMS is needed before moving forward in this short period of time.

After comments and questions were addressed, Executive Director Marsal encouraged the Council to reach out to the Agency with any future questions or comments.

Mr. Bradford Williams discussed the Annual Reports Report Tracking Information. He explained Annual Reporting numbers, failures to submit required reports by the due date, and recent changes in facility reporting that have caused a delay in some received data. It was further noted that the main reason that annual reports are received late is a changeover in facility administration. Penalties for failure to submit required Annual Reports were also discussed and explained.

After comments and questions were addressed, Mr. Williams updated the Council on State Health Plan updates to sections 410-2-4.02, Acute Care (Hospitals), 410-2-4.11, Substance Use, and 410-2-3-.10, In-Home Hospice Services.

Chairman Elaine Beech announced that the next meeting of the Statewide Health Coordinating Council will be held in December 2025.

There being no further business, Chairman Beech adjourned the meeting at 11:29 a.m.

PREPARED BY:

Toni Ferguson

Date

APPROVED:

Chairman Elaine Beech

Date