

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES**

March 27, 2025

1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of Vaya Health conducted its regular meeting on Thursday, March 27, 2025, at the Vaya Health Regional Office, located at 2929 Crouse Lane, Suite B, Burlington, NC 27215; with PUBLIC ACCESS via electronic communication only (real-time two-way audio and/or visual communication, i.e., telephone and Microsoft Teams).

Committee Members:	Attending:	Apologies:
Nancy Baker	X	
Ronnie Beale, Chair	X	
Dan Brummitt, Vice Chair	X	
Billy Kennedy	X	
Mike Norris	X	

Also participating in Executive Committee:

Tracy J. Hayes, Area Director & Chief Executive Officer; Steve Martin, General Counsel & Chief Compliance Officer; Larry Hill, Executive Vice President (EVP) & Chief Financial Officer; Rhonda Cox, EVP & Chief Operating Officer; Richard Zenn, Chief Medical Officer; Robert Webb, EVP & Chief Information Officer; Danielle Wittekind, Chief Human Resources Officer; J.K. Coward, Board Attorney; McLean Moore, Business Integrity Chief of Staff; Mickie Hilbert, Information Services Chief of Staff; Mikhail Korolchuk, Support Specialist II; Ashley Logan, Board Support & Administrative Professional; Gwen Hensley, Clerk to the Board; and no members of the public.

A. Welcome and Call to Order

Mr. Ronnie Beale, Executive Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

Ms. Ashley Logan, Board Support & Administrative Professional, facilitated roll call at the request of Mr. Beale, confirming a quorum of the Executive Committee.

B. Approval of Agenda and January 23, 2025, Meeting Minutes

Mr. Billy Kennedy made a motion to approve the Agenda, as presented.

Ms. Nancy Baker seconded the motion.

Motion unanimously approved.

Mr. Billy Kennedy made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Mr. Mike Norris seconded the motion.

Motion unanimously approved.

C. Report of the Chair

Mr. Ronnie Beale, Executive Committee Chair, Mr. Beale addressed the committee regarding Vaya's unwavering efforts to always focus on members, providing the best support, care, and service.

D. Report of the Area Director and Chief Executive Officer

Ms. Tracy Hayes, Area Director & Chief Executive Officer, began by overviewing the career of Ms. Christy Pruess, Care Management Regional Director, and planned recognition for her years of public service and contributions to the public health system.

Continuing, Ms. Hayes shared details regarding Helene Recovery funds awarded to Vaya staff members. Through donations, funds generated by Vera's Place, and fund matching by Vaya, 12 heavily impacted staff members received support with award funds. Ms. Hayes then reviewed legislative updates, including the Governor's proposed budget, potential federal grant reductions, ending of certain American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) funding, and a proposed reorganization of the U.S. HHS, which involves downsizing employees, reducing divisions, and eliminating regional offices.

Ms. Hayes shared that Vaya's Hope 4 NC representatives Erin Cotter, Community Relations Project Manager, and Stacy Sorrells, Executive Director of Community Relations, attended a Good Morning America segment in Asheville covering the sixth month anniversary of Hurricane Helene.

Next, Ms. Hayes provided network and organizational updates. Mr. Beale, Mr. Potter, and Mr. Hill attended recent BHUC ribbon cutting events in Caldwell, Haywood, and Rowan counties. Six of the seven crisis center projects, awarded by DMHDDSUS with Medicaid expansion crisis funds, are largely complete. The Vance County project is still in progress, with discussions about renovating and expanding the existing building in Vance County owned by Maria Parham hospital.

Concluding, Ms. Hayes overviewed trainings conducted by the GAMHST and Community Education teams, contractual and funding updates regarding the Back at Home Helene program, a performance overview of personal care services, and physical health prior authorizations.

E. Closed Session

Closed Session pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §143-318.11(a)(1) in order to prevent the disclosure of competitive health care information that is privileged or confidential pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §122C-126.1, or not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes; or to consult with attorneys pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §143-318.11(a)(3); or to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, or conditions of appointment, of an individual public officer or employee pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §143-318.11(a)(6).

Mr. Mike Norris made a motion for the Executive Committee to enter closed session.

Mr. Billy Kennedy seconded the motion.

Motion unanimously approved.

The Executive Committee entered closed session at 1:52 p.m.

Mr. Mark Richardson made a motion for the Executive Committee to exit closed session.

Mr. Mike Norris seconded the motion.

Motion unanimously approved.

The Executive Committee resumed open session at 3:10 p.m.

F. Other Business

No other business was discussed.

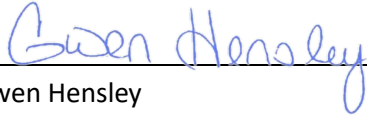
G. Adjournment

Mr. Dan Brummitt made a motion to adjourn The Executive Committee.

Ms. Nancy Baker seconded the motion.

Motion unanimously approved.

The Executive Committee adjourned at 3:10 p.m.



Gwen Hensley
Board Clerk