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NC Collaborative for Children, Youth and Families

DATE: May 10, 2021

Date and Time	Committee	Location
		Legislative Office Building (LOB) Legislative Building (LB) Audio link: https://www.ncleg.gov/Audio
May 10, 5:30 pm	Senate Rules (S. 593, S. 693, S. 594 on agenda)	1027/1128 LB, livestream
May 11, 10:00 am	House Health (H. 734 on agenda)	643 LOB, livestream
May 11, 1:00 pm	House Education K-12 (H. 621 on agenda)	643 LOB, livestream
May 11, 3:00 pm	House Families, Children and Aging Policy (H. 605, H. 769, H. 823 are on agenda)	415 LOB, livestream

***May is Mental Health Awareness Month!
It's a perfect time to contact your legislators!***

Highlighted Bills:

[S. 721/H. 568](#), Youth Mentoring Services Act, establishes the Youth Mentoring Grant Program. The grant program will be within the NC DHHS and will be overseen by the Youth Mentoring Services Council. The proposed Council will include one parent representative. Grants will be awarded to non-profit organizations that provide mentoring to children and youth (ages 5-18) identified to be in high-risk situations. High-risk situations are defined as "a situation where any of the following are present: poverty or low-wealth, residence in a substance use disorder household, family conflict, association with peers involved in criminal activity, residence in a single-parent household, exhibition of or inclination toward delinquent behavior, trauma from child abuse, and trauma from systemic racism." The bill appropriates \$1.5 million to NC DHHS, Division of Social Services for each of the fiscal years in the biennium to provide the grants.

[H. 882](#), Behavioral Health Services for Students, permits students to receive adaptive behavior treatment and research-based behavioral health treatment behavioral health services in public school units.

Medicaid Transformation Update:

The Open Enrollment for the Standard Plan will conclude on May 14th. After that time, Medicaid beneficiaries on the Standard Plan will be auto-assigned to a primary care practitioner and a Prepaid Health Plan. The [Call Center](#) for the Enrollment Broker is available to assist Medicaid beneficiaries in their decision making. The Enrollment Broker website has [more information](#) on who should be enrolling for the Standard Plans.

Resources:

- Mental Health America is offering FREE registration for the virtual option for their upcoming conference, “From Resiliency to Recovery” on June 10-12. Use this [link](#) for registration. There is a cost if you attend in-person.

Bills on the Move:

[H. 247](#), Standards of Student Conduct, passed the House, referred to Senate Rules

[H. 615](#), Juvenile Court Mental Health Assessments, passed the House

[H. 657](#), School Safety/Threat Assessment Teams, passed House

[H. 658](#), Deploy Child Welfare & Aging Component/NCFAST, reported favorably by House Family, Children and Aging Policy Committee, re-referred to House Appropriations

[S. 103](#), Reduce Regulation to Help Children with Autism, passed the Senate, passed the House

[S. 594](#), Medicaid Administrative Changes and Technical Corrections – Agency Bill, reported favorably by Senate Rules

[S. 693](#), Expedite Child Safety and Permanency, reported favorably by Senate Rules

Other Bills:

[H. 29](#), Verification of Immigration Status: SAVE

[H. 32](#), Equity Opportunity Act, passed the House and referred to Senate Rules

[H. 42](#), 2020 COVID Relief Bill Modifications

[H. 91](#), Reduce Regulation to Help Children with Autism

[H. 132](#), Juvenile Code Rev's/CIP Recommendations—AB (Agency Bill)

[H. 149](#), Improving Access to Care through Telehealth

[H. 173](#), Separate Divisions, Juvenile Justice and Adult Corrections—AB (Agency Bill)

[H. 183](#), Juvenile Court Counselors/Sensitivity Training—AB (Agency Bill)

[H. 192](#), COVID Response, Supplemental Spending 2020-2021

[H. 205](#), Abuse & Neglect Resources in Public Schools

[H. 212](#), Social Services Reform

[H. 215](#), Early Childhood Data Analytics/Pilot/Guilford

[H. 232](#), LRC Study – Affordable Housing

[H. 249](#), Children with Disabilities Funding Formula

[H. 252/S. 207](#), Various Raise the Age Changes/JJAC Recs.

[H. 261](#), Raise Min. Age/Juvenile Jurisdiction

[H. 262](#), Smart Start Funds

[H. 274](#), 2021 Current Operations Appropriations Act
[H. 277/S. 249](#), The SAVE Act
[H. 298](#), 2021 Current Operations Appropriations Act
[H. 300](#), 2021 Pandemic Recovery Appropriations Act
[H. 305](#), 2021 Omnibus Coronavirus Relief Act
[H. 313](#), 2021 Pandemic Recovery Appropriations Act
[H. 314](#), 2021 Omnibus Coronavirus Relief Act
[H. 325](#), 2021 Omnibus Coronavirus Relief Act
[H. 382](#), Hospital ED Care/Medicaid Behavioral Health Service
[H. 383](#), Medicaid Modernized Hospital Assessments
[H. 389/S. 350](#), NC Innovations Waiver Act of 2021
[H. 424](#), Juveniles/Eliminate LWOP/Parole Eligibility
[H. 430](#), Advisory Council on PANS & PANDAS
[H. 470](#), Medicaid Expansion
[H. 516](#), Raise Dropout Age to 18
[H. 568/S. 721](#), Youth Mentoring Services Act
[H. 579](#), School Self-Defense Act
[H. 621](#), Increase Drop Out Age/Completion Indicator
[H. 653](#), Mental Health and SUD Parity Report
[H. 665/S. 610](#), Address Direct Support Staffing Crisis/Medicaid
[H. 732](#), Peer Support Specialist Certification Act
[H. 734](#), Dept. of Health and Human Services Revisions
[H. 747](#), Merge NC Health Choice & Medicaid
[H. 749](#), Healthy Students – School Psychologists/COVID-19
[H. 769](#), Foster Parents’ Bill of Rights
[H. 809](#), NC Healthy Family Act
[H. 823](#), Child Advocacy Centers/Share Information
[H. 837](#), Increase Student Access to School Counselors
[H. 882](#), Behavioral Health Services for Students
[H. 908](#), Access to Affordable Health Care Coverage for All
[H. 914](#), Support our Direct Care Workforce
[S. 37](#), In-Person Learning Choice for Families, ratified, vetoed by Governor on 2/26
[S. 61](#), Dental Services/Medicaid Transformation
[S. 78](#), A Safe Return for In-Person Learning
[S. 86](#), Medicaid Recs/School-Based Health and InCK evaluation/ Child Well-Being Transformation Council Rec
[S. 88](#), NC FAST Child Welfare Case Mgmt./PED Study
[S. 89](#), Regional Supervision/Child Well-Being Transformation Council Rec
[S. 90](#), Social Services Reform/Inter-County Collaboration/Child Well-Being Transformation Council Rec
[S. 93](#), Assisting NC Families in Crisis
[S. 105](#), 2021 Appropriations Act
[S. 106](#), 2021 Appropriations Act

[S. 107](#), 2021 Appropriations Act
[S. 154](#), Fully Funded School Social Works and Psychologists
[S. 301](#), Expand Expunction Eligibility
[S. 350/H. 389](#), NC Innovations Waiver Act of 2021
[S. 402](#), Close the Medicaid Coverage Gap
[S. 463](#), Deploy Child Welfare & Aging Component/NCFAST
[S. 501](#), Create Department of Adult Corrections
[S. 514](#), Youth Health Protection Act
[S. 515](#), Health Care Heroes Conscience Protection Act
[S. 518](#), Protecting and Supporting NC's Children
[S. 530](#), Medicaid for Twelve Months Postpartum
[S. 593](#), Special Education Due Process Hearings
[S. 595](#), Taskforce on Adverse Childhood Experiences
[S. 610/ H. 665](#), Address Direct Support Staffing Crisis/Medicaid
[S. 615](#), Direct Care Worker Wage Passthrough/Medicaid
[S. 622](#), 2021 Governor's Budget
[S. 721/H. 568](#), Youth Mentoring Services Act

Bills Signed into Law:

[SL 2021-1](#): COVID Relief Bill Modifications
[SL 2021-3](#): 2021 COVID-19 Response and Relief
[SL 2021-4](#): The Reopen the Schools Act of 2021
[SL 2021-7](#), Summer Learning Choice for NC Families
[SL 2021-8](#): Excellent Public Schools Act of 2021
[SL 2021-18](#): Modify Termination of Parental Rights Appeals