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NC Collaborative for Children, Youth and Families

DATE: June 5, 2021

Date and Time	Committee	Location
		Legislative Office Building (LOB) Legislative Building (LB) Audio link: https://www.ncleg.gov/Audio
Tuesday, June 8, 8:30 am	House Education Appropriations	425 LOB, no audio available
Tuesday, June 8, 10:00 am	House Health (H. 665 is on the agenda)	643 LOB, livestream
Tuesday, June 8, 1:30 pm	House Education K-12	643 LOB, livestream
Wednesday, June 9, 10:00 am	Senate Healthcare	544 LOB, livestream

Specialized Foster Care Plan Planning Timeframe Set:

NC DHHS held a webinar on June 4th to give more information about the [Specialized Foster Care Plan](#) (presentation to be posted). A few of the points that were made include:

- The Specialized Foster Care Plan includes all services that are in the Standard Plan and BH/IDD Tailored Plan with the exception of Innovations Waiver services, Traumatic Brain Injury services and State-funded services.
- Children who qualify for the Specialized Foster Care Plan can choose to participate in the Standard Plan or BH/IDD Tailored Plan instead.
- Coordination between health and human service agencies, juvenile justice and other community-based organizations is expected to occur by using the System of Care principles at both the community level and the system level.

Next Steps:

- Through the summer NC DHHS will conduct intensive stakeholder engagement efforts.
- They plan to publish an updated concept paper by the end of summer.
- The Request for Proposal (RFP) will be developed over the fall and winter of 2021.
- In 2022 NC DHHS will issue and award the Specialized Foster Care Plan through a competitive process.
- Go-live of the Plan is scheduled to occur on July 1, 2023.

Processing and Opportunity for Impact:

NC DHHS has convened the [Foster Care Plan Workgroup](#) and they have been meeting since April 2021. The next meeting is scheduled for June 7th from 3 pm – 4:30 pm and it is an open meeting. To get more information about access to the meeting email: Medicaid.Transformation@dhhs.nc.gov.

Resources:

- [The HOPE](#) Program is accepting a second round of applications. This program helps prevent evictions and utility disconnections to promote housing stability during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

Bills:

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

[H. 32](#), Equity Opportunity Act – MET CROSSOVER

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

[H. 247](#), Standards of Student Conduct – MET CROSSOVER

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

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

[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 – MET CROSSOVER

[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. 615](#), Juvenile Court Mental Health Assessments – MET CROSSOVER
[H. 621](#), Increase Drop Out Age/Completion Indicator – MET CROSSOVER
[H. 653](#), Mental Health and SUD Parity Report
[H. 657](#), School Safety/Threat Assessment Teams – MET CROSSOVER
[H. 658](#), Deploy Child Welfare & Aging Component/NCFAST
[H. 664](#), County Service Districts/Early Childhood Education – MET CROSSOVER
[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 – MET CROSSOVER
[H. 747](#), Merge NC Health Choice & Medicaid
[H. 749](#), Healthy Students – School Psychologists/COVID-19
[H. 769](#), Foster Parents’ Bill of Rights – MET CROSSOVER
[H. 809](#), NC Healthy Family Act
[H. 823](#), Child Advocacy Centers/Share Information – MET CROSSOVER
[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
[H. 928](#), Opioid Overdose Prev. Pilot Program/Funds
[H. 934](#), Student Success Program
[H. 946](#), Sound Basic Education for Every Child
[H. 947](#), The GREAT Broadband Expansion Act
[H. 952](#), Mental Health Unit Triage Pilot Program
[H. 953](#), Funds for School Mental Health Support Persons
[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 – MET CROSSOVER
[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 – MET CROSSOVER
[S. 594](#), Medicaid Administrative Changes and Technical Corrections – Agency Bill – MET CROSSOVER
[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. 693](#), Expedite Child Safety and Permanency – MET CROSSOVER
[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
[SL 2021-22](#): Reduce Regulation to Help Children with Autism
[SL 2021-25](#): Additional COVID-19 Response and Relief