

## **NC Collaborative for Children, Youth and Families**

**DATE: September 4, 2021**

### **NO PERTINENT UPCOMING LEGISLATIVE MEETINGS SCHEDULED**

#### **Details of Healthy Opportunities Pilot Provided in Webinar:**

NC DHHS hosted a [webinar](#) on August 31 that reviewed more details about the Healthy Opportunities Pilot. This pilot was authorized as a part of the larger 1115 Medicaid waiver approved by the federal government that shifted the State to Medicaid managed care. The pilot could bring up to \$650 million in reimbursement for community-based human services that have not previously been covered by Medicaid in North Carolina. Some of the points made in the webinar include:

- Three regions totaling 33 North Carolina counties were selected for the pilot;
- Medicaid beneficiaries have to meet eligibility requirements by meeting at least one physical/behavioral health criterion and at least one social risk factor;
- The 1115 waiver specifies 29 services that can be covered under the pilot and they are categorized within the Social Determinants of Health—transportation, housing, food security and interpersonal safety;
- The pilot will ramp up using value-based payments with plan managers, Network Leads and Human Service Organizations;
- Up to \$100 million can be spent on capacity building for Network Leads and Human Service Organizations.

The go-live date is expected to be February 2022. NC DHHS expects this to be a five-year pilot and will seek that approval from the federal government. As of right now, the pilot is authorized through October 2024.

#### **How are Families Incorporated in Person-Centered Planning? Opportunity for Feedback:**

NC DMHDDSAS is seeking feedback on an updated Person-Centered Planning [guidance](#). Comments are due by September 30<sup>th</sup>. The guidance includes values and principles, life domains, action plans, crisis plans and both individual and systemic indicators that the person-centered plan has been implemented.

#### **Opportunities:**

- NC DHHS is conducting a survey to gain feedback for the Strategic Housing Plan for the state. The survey will remain open until September 15. Use this [link](#) to give your feedback.
- The UNC School of Social Work, Focus on Family and Disability Seminars is offering a webinar on September 14<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm, “The Mental Health Needs of Students

During COVID-19: A Parent's Perspective", and discounts/scholarships are available. For more information follow this [link](#).

**Resources:**

- A new NC DHHS COVID-19 information website [specifically for teens](#) has launched. [TeenVaxFacts.com](#) provides teens and parents access to resources and materials needed to educate themselves and their peers.

**Bills on the Move:**

[H. 769](#), Foster Parents' Bill of Rights – MET CROSSOVER – ratified and presented to Governor for signature

[S. 105](#), 2021 Appropriations Act, passed by House and Senate, Senate did not concur with House proposal, [conference committee appointed](#)

[S. 593](#), Special Education Due Process Hearings – MET CROSSOVER – referred to House Judiciary 2

**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. 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. 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. 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. 747](#), Merge NC Health Choice & Medicaid  
[H. 749](#), Healthy Students – School Psychologists/COVID-19  
[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. 106](#), 2021 Appropriations Act  
[S. 107](#), 2021 Appropriations Act  
[S. 154](#), Fully Funded School Social Works and Psychologists  
[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. 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  
[SL 2021-22](#): Reduce Regulation to Help Children with Autism  
[SL 2021-25](#): Additional COVID-19 Response and Relief  
[SL 2021-61](#): Medicaid Modernized Hospital Assessments  
[SL 2021-62](#): Medicaid Administrative Changes and Technical Corrections  
[SL 2021-77](#): DHHS Revisions  
[SL 2021-88](#): GSC Technical Corrections 2021  
[SL 2021-100](#): Juvenile Code Rev's/CIP Recommendations—AB (Agency Bill)  
[SL 2021-118](#): Expand Expunction Eligibility  
[SL 2021-123](#): Various Raise the Age Changes/JJAC Recs.  
[SL 2021-132](#): Expedite Child Safety and Permanency