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North Carolina Institute of Medicine Appoints 29 New Members

MORRISVILLE (May 16, 2019) – The North Carolina Institute of Medicine (NCIOM) has selected 29 new members for the prestigious honor of membership. The following new members join more than 150 leaders in health, medicine, and policy across North Carolina to receive this honor and partner with the NCIOM to advance health policy for a healthier state.

Marco Alemán, MD, Professor of Medicine, Division of General Medicine and Clinical Epidemiology at UNC

Jamy Ard, MD, Professor, Epidemiology and Prevention, Wake Forest

Jason Baisden, Program Officer, Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust

John R. Ball, MD, JD, Board of Directors, Dogwood Health Trust

Reuben Blackwell, Rocky Mount City Councilman, Ward 2

A. Wesley Burks, MD, Dean, UNC School of Medicine and CEO, UNC Health Care

Jack Cecil, President, Biltmore Farms, LLC

Sam Cohen, Senior Vice President of Health Policy, Curi

Alisahah Cole, MD, Vice President and System medical Director of Community Health, Atrium Health

Kelly Crosbie, Deputy Director, Quality and Population Health, NC Medicaid

Chris DeRienzo, MD, Chief Quality Officer, Mission Health

Erin Fraher, PhD, MPP, Director, Carolina Health Workforce Research Center

Lisa Macon Harrison, MPH, Health Director, Granville-Vance District Health Department

James C. Hunter, MD, Primary Care Doctor, Charlotte

Lin Hollowell, Director of Health Care, The Duke Endowment

Shelisa Howard-Martinez, MPA, Director of Community Engagement, CareShare Health Alliance

Kelly Kimple, MD, MPH, FAAP, Section Chief, Women's and Children's Health Section, NC DHHS

Susan Kansagra, MD, MBA, Chronic Disease and Injury Section Chief, NC DHHS

Steve Lawler, President, North Carolina Healthcare Association

Allison Owen, MPA, Deputy Director, NC Office of Rural Health

Ron Paulus, MD, MBA, CEO and President, Mission Health

Melanie Phelps, JD, Senior Vice President, Health System Innovation and Deputy General Counsel, North Carolina Medical Society

William F. Pilkington, DPA, Director, North Carolina Association of Local Health Directors: Cabarrus

LaVerne Reid, Professor of Public Health Education, NC Central University

Tish Singletary, Community Health Worker Program Coordinator, NC DHHS

Mark Stacey, MD, Primary Care Doctor, Durham

Weyling White, MBA, Practice Administrator, Roanoke Chowan Community Health Center

Meg Zomorodi, PhD, RN, CNL, Assistant Provost for Interprofessional Education and Practice, UNC

Dee Jones, MBA, Executive Director, North Carolina State Health Plan

“We are pleased to welcome these new members to the NCIOM,” said Dr. Adam Zolotor, president and CEO of the NCIOM. “We look forward to working with them to continue the mission of the Institute, seeking constructive solutions to statewide problems that impede the improvement of health and efficient and effective delivery of health care for all North Carolinians.”

The North Carolina Institute of Medicine (NCIOM) is an independent, quasi-state agency that was chartered by the North Carolina General Assembly in 1983 to provide balanced, nonpartisan information on issues of relevance to the health of North Carolina’s population. For more information, visit www.nciom.org.

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