



**NORTH CAROLINA INSTITUTE OF MEDICINE
LEGISLATIVE HEALTH POLICY FELLOWS PROGRAM**

**FEBRUARY 26, 2018
9:00 AM TO 4:00 PM**

**630 DAVIS DRIVE
MORRISVILLE, NC 27560**

9:00 – 9:15 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Adam Zolotor, MD, DrPH
President and CEO
North Carolina Institute of Medicine

Michelle Ries, MPH
Project Director
North Carolina Institute of Medicine

Zolotor and Ries will facilitate participant introductions, identify session goals, and address logistics.

9:15 – 10:15 NORTH CAROLINA’S PRIVATE INSURANCE MARKET

Mark Hall, JD
Director of Health Law and Policy Program
Wake Forest University

Hall will discuss the private insurance market in North Carolina, covering employer-based coverage, the Affordable Care Act marketplace, the role of TPA plans, the potential impact of association health plans, and the repeal of the individual mandate penalty.

10:15 – 10:30 BREAK



10:30 – 12:30 MEDICAID IN NORTH CAROLINA

Melanie Bush
Deputy Director, Clinical and Operations
Division of Medical Assistance
North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services

Kelly Crosbie, MSW, LCSW
Senior Program Manager-Health Transformation
Division of Health Benefits
North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services

John McCarthy
Founding Partner
Speire Healthcare Strategies
Former Director, Ohio Department of Medicaid

In this session, Bush will discuss Medicaid in North Carolina, including financing/cost, eligibility, and structure. Crosbie will address the status of Medicaid transformation, including current Medicaid waivers and the timeline for moving to managed care. McCarthy will talk about his experiences as former Ohio State Medicaid Director, Medicaid managed care in Ohio, and lessons from other states on Medicaid transformation. Presentations will be followed by a discussion.

12:30 – 12:40 FROM THE NCIOM: METRICS TO DRIVE IMPROVEMENTS IN HEALTH

Michelle Ries

Ries will introduce the work of the Task Force on Health Care Analytics, convened in 2016-2017 in partnership with the Division of Health Benefits to identify a concise set of quality metrics to be used by Medicaid to drive improvements in population health.

12:40 – 1:15 LUNCH



1:15 – 1:45 MEDICARE: AN OVERVIEW

Van Braxton
Deputy Commissioner
Senior Health Insurance Information Program
North Carolina Department of Insurance

In this session, Braxton will discuss Medicare, focusing on structure, financing, eligibility, and services covered.

1:45 – 2:00 FROM THE NCIOM: ALL PAYER CLAIMS DATABASE (APCD)

Adam Zolotor

Zolotor will introduce the report of the Task Force on All-Payer Claims Database. The task force studied the use case of an APCD for North Carolina, examined alternatives to a state-based APCD, and evaluated options for implementing an APCD in North Carolina, assessing legislative interest, governance, and finance.

2:00 – 3:00 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH IN NORTH CAROLINA

Mark Botts, JD
Associate Professor of Public Law and Government
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

In this session, Botts will provide an overview of the behavioral health system in North Carolina, focusing on the structure of the public system and the impact of past and recent changes to the system.

3:00 – 4:00 THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC: LESSONS AND STRATEGIES FROM OTHER STATES

Representative John Nygren
89th Assembly District
Wisconsin

Representative Nygren will introduce the HOPE Agenda, discuss building consensus around strategies to address the opioid epidemic in Wisconsin, and address the progress made in implementing these strategies.