



**Medical Policy Advisory Committee Meeting
Webinar/Recorded
February 25, 2026
Minutes**

Convene Meeting

Welcome

The Medical Policy Advisory Committee held its inaugural meeting on February 25, 2026, at 6:00pm and was called to order by Chair Brian Miller, MD. He welcomed the group and thanked them for their participation.

Roll Call for Attendance

Present: Brian Miller, MD; Joel Gallagher, MD; Anna Edhegard, MD; Joseph Aloï, MD; Caroline Wilds, MD; Zari Cain-Akbar, MD; Kathy Richardson, MD; Jugta Kahai, MD; Prathana Jain, MD; Jennifer Parker-Cote, MD; Geoffrey Rose, MD; Carl Gessner, MD; Justin Sullivan, MD; Susan Moore, MD; and Steven Bokshan, MD

Absent: Fabian Johnston, MD; Joseph Hsu, MD

Chair Brian Miller, MD confirmed that a quorum was present.

Conflict of Interest

Joel Heimbach, Assistant General Counsel, reminded committee members of their responsibility to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict. No conflicts were reported.

Committee Purpose & Governance

Beth Horner, Chief of Staff/Director of Communications, reviewed committee goals and objectives. The State Health Plan ("Plan") will bring targeted-clinical questions regarding specific benefits and medical policies before the committee for their review and opinions. The Treasurer and Executive Administrator may then consider these perspectives if appropriate.

Sonya Dunn, Integrated Health Management Director, reviewed the Committee Charter and Bylaws.

Chair Brian Miller, MD called for a motion to adopt Bylaws.

First motion: Kathy Richardson; Second motion: Jennifer Parker-Cotes

Roll call vote was taken: 15 ayes, 0 nays; motion was approved.

Potential Topics

Beth Horner reviewed potential targeted questions for the committee and the logistics of the Committee's consideration of future questions.

Next Meeting

Sonya Dunn notified committee that the intent was to meet once quarterly, from 6pm – 7pm. Committee members will receive dates to select their availability soon.

Adjournment

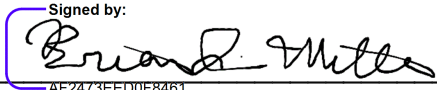
Chair Brian Miller, MD called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

First motion: Caroline Wilds, MD; Second motion: Jennifer Parker-Cotes, MD

Roll call vote was taken. 15 ayes, 0 nays; motion was approved

The Committee adjourned the meeting at 7:00pm.

Minutes submitted by: Sonya Dunn, Secretary

Approved by:  Signed by:
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Brian Miller, MD
Chairman of the Medical Policy Advisory Committee
North Carolina State Health Plan