**MINUTES**: Healthy Carolinians of Macon County – **Access to Care Committee** 

**DATE**: July 16, 2008 **PLACE**: Health and Human Services Building **TIME**: 12:00 N – 1:00 PM

ATTENDEES: Rhonda Blanton, Jim Bruckner, Dorothy Crawford, Jerry Hermanson, Lisa Hilliard, Jane Kimsey, Judy Kuehn,

Kathy McGaha, Jim Thurmond and Martin Wadewitz

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION	FOLLOW-UP
Welcome and Approval of Minutes	Lisa Hilliard welcomed everyone to today's meeting of the Access to Care Committee. Ms Hilliard asked the committee members to review the minutes of the last meeting. Marty Wadewitz motioned for the approval of the minutes. Dorothy Crawford 2 <sup>nd</sup> the motion, with a unanimous vote for approval.		
Provider Meeting	Lisa Hilliard asked Kathy McGaha to report on the status of the Provider Meeting. Ms. McGaha informed the committee members that the date had been changed to August 19 <sup>th</sup> due to a conflict with the Board of Health meeting scheduled for August 12 <sup>th</sup> .		
	Ms. McGaha passed out a draft of the invitation for the Provider Meeting. Ms. McGaha asked the committee members to review the draft and make comments and suggestions for any changes. Two suggestions were made:  1. Move the information of the date, time and location to the first paragraph  2. State the time length of the meeting, suggested was two hours	Kathy McGaha will make the suggested changes to the invitation.	
	Ms. McGaha stated that she would personally be contacting the office manager in each physician's offices to explain what this meeting is about and what this group is trying to accomplish. Marty Wadewitz suggested that she also contact Paula Alter at AMC. Judy Kuehn suggested to also invite certain mental health professionals to this meeting. Ms. McGaha asked Ms. Kuehn to forward contact information for these professionals to Rhonda Blanton.	Kathy McGaha will contact the office manager at each physician office and also contact Paula Alter at AMC.  Judy Kuehn will forward the contact information for the mental health professionals to Rhonda Blanton.	

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	Ms. McGaha next asked the committee to consider who would provide the welcome and be the main presenters. After a group discussion, the committee members agreed that Ms. McGaha would make the welcome and Jim Bruckner and Marty Wadewitz would explain the purpose of the meeting and the history of this committee.		
	The committee members next discussed what the menu	Rhonda Blanton will contact	
	selections for the meal being served. Mr. Wadewitz	Barbara Hall at AMC and	
	stated that several physicians observed specific diets.	discuss the menu selections.2	
	Mr. Wadewitz suggested that several varied menu		
	selections be offered. Rhonda Blanton will contact		
	Barbara Hall at AMC and discuss the menu selections.		
Other Items for Discussion	Lisa Hilliard asked for other items of discussion:		
	o Jim Bruckner said he had received a grant		
	application for a School Based/School Linked		
	Health Center. Mr. Bruckner said he had given		
	the grant application to Jennifer Garrett to research.		
	o Jerry Hermanson updated the committee		
	members on the status of the Community Care		
	Clinic. Mr. Hermanson said they had 52 patients		
	on one recent Thursday night. Mr. Hermanson		
	said now the number of walk-ins will be limited		
	and more appointments will be scheduled.		
Next Meeting Date	The next meeting for the Access to Care Committee will		
	be held on Tuesday, August 26 <sup>th</sup> , from 2:30 PM –		
	3:30 PM in Meeting Rooms A/B at the Health and		
	Human Services Building.		

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