Welcome
Secretary Machelle Sanders

Roll Call of Participants

Attendees: Jenny Black, Michelle Fullerton, Dr. Barbara Rimer, Christy Smith Foster, Betty Marrow-Taylor

Updates
Secretary Sanders

• Budget

Secretary Sanders stated that no budget has passed, and that Medicaid Expansion remains the Governor’s priority. Mini-budget bills have passed. ½ million people in NC do not have healthcare coverage because they don’t qualify for Medicaid and can’t afford coverage otherwise. Letter was sent from Dr. Aziz regarding the importance and need of Medicaid expansion. Dr. Rimer also noted how much this impacts our kids. Jenny Black indicated that women are highly affected as well and that the Council for Women Advisory Council is working to improve health and wellness outcomes for women, and lack of Medicaid expansion strongly impacts the ability to do so.

• Census 2020

Secretary Sanders serves as Chairperson of the NC Complete Count Commission, expressed that the goal is to ensure an accurate and complete count; to increase participation overall by 10% or greater. The 2010 Census participation rate was 74%. The Complete Count Commission is partnering with the US Census and especially looking at ways to reach Hard to Count
populations. Most recent efforts have been around Latino population; hosting events in Charlotte and Greenville and many more planned. Recent partnerships have been established with AT&T, & AARP. Met also with NC Black Caucus, and Black Summit and will have a booth at the NC State Fair.

- **2019 Annual Report to the Governor**

Secretary Sanders requested volunteers to do the report this year. Michelle Fullerton, and Christy Foster agreed to work on the report. Dr. Rimer agreed to be an editor. Secretary Sanders suggested to add Emily Turner if she is willing to do so. Michelle would send an email out to the team to get the ball rolling.

- **Strategic Planning – 2020 Priorities**

Michelle Fullerton to continue the planning process at the Quarterly Meeting Nov. 20th. Priorities were selected at the August meeting but not enough time to discuss further and determine next steps, etc.

- **HUB Presentation Follow-up**

Commission members expressed interest in hearing more from HUB and felt some of their questions were not answered and or not enough time to ask. Secretary suggested that they send questions before the Quarterly meeting and we could follow up with Tammy and or have her to come back to another meeting.

- **Diversity in Disaster (Preparedness, Responsiveness and Recovery)**

Betty Marrow-Taylor indicated that she met with Amanda Martin, Deputy Director of NC Office of Recovery and Resiliency (NCORR) to review recommendations that were provided previously to Katie Webster and passed over to her. She further noted that the meeting went very well, and that Amanda is looking forward to meeting with the Commission on Nov. 20th and providing an update on the status of recommendations.

- **Cultural Competency Sub-Committee Follow-Up**
Betty indicated that Nancy Astrike is willing to come again to one of our meetings to provide an update on recommendations and is looking forward to continually working with the Commission and the sub-committee to discuss other recommendations.

**Next Steps**

Next Commission meeting is Wednesday, November 20, 2019, FHI 360, Durham NC. 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. (specific details forthcoming) Thanks Christy Foster for hosting.

**Meeting Adjourned** by Secretary Sanders at 11:35 a.m.