

Health Disparities Task Force Meeting |MINUTES

July 20, 2023, | 1:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M. | Location: Microsoft Teams

Meeting called by:	Division of Health Disparities Elimination	Approximately: 84 ppl
Type of meeting:	Weekly Health Disparities Task Force –	
Facilitator:	Elizabeth Hart, Director Office of Faith-Based and Community Engagement	

Motivational Quote: (Elizabeth Hart) “Whether the game is poker, rummy, bridge, backgammon, or chess at the top levels of play. The skills rewarded are all by vitally important in business. Among them are disciplined memory, coolness under pressure, psychological insightfulness, a readiness to stick to a strategy even when it produces losing streaks in the short run, and rapid intuitive calculation of probabilities of spotting opportunities and balancing risk against rewards.” – Quote noted from Forbes Magazine

Announcements: (Elizabeth Hart)

- International Chess Day
- The Red Sand Project is an interactive art exhibition where community members, individually or collectively pour red sand, into the cracks of sidewalks to show how survivors of human trafficking fall through the cracks of society. Communities across Tennessee will use the Red Sand Project events as opportunities to create art installations pouring natural, non-toxic red sand into those sidewall cracks. The Tennessee Department of Tourist Development will have the Red Sand Project event, with human trafficking educational information and resources will be available at all their welcome centers across the state, you can also contact the Tennessee Human Trafficking Hotline at **1-855-558-6484** or go to www.humantraffickinghotline.org

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

Focus: Medicaid and CHIP Renewals

Presenter: Ms. Rhonda Hunter

Summary: Since 2020 Medicaid and CHIP was not required to terminate or renew due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. As of today, the continuous enrollment condition has ended, the states now are going through the redetermination process for everyone across the United States on Medicaid and CHIP. It’s 93 million people in

the state of Tennessee and we're looking at 1.8 million people, so over the next 12 months. Redeterminations is to be conducted, but the most important thing is that during this process because we don't want people finding out that they don't have health insurance when the baby sick or when they're in the middle of treatment for their health conditions or when their getting a prescription filled and to keep these things from happening we're working with partners to make sure people know exactly what to do.

The Medicaid Unwind Site is a call to action, and we can use your help to spread the word about the Medicaid unwinding. Below you'll find the CMS walked through a set of slides that you can download and use to educate yourself and others in your communities about Medicaid and CHIP renewals. The [training slides](#) are now available for download on the [Outreach and Educational Resources webpage](#) on [Medicaid.gov/unwinding](#). If you have any further questions do not hesitate to call the Marketplace Call Center at [1-800-318-2596](#) to get details about marketplace coverage.

Member Comments: Announcements and Upcoming Events

- TN Vaccines for Children Program (VFC) - www.tn.gov/health/cedep/immunization-program/ip/vfc
- If you need more information, please visit our website at www.healthdisparitiestn.com
- Tennessee Human Trafficking Hotline at **1-855-558-6484** and/or www.humantraffickinghotline.org
- Get Covered TN is a Tennessee Non-Profit. We have Certified Navigators assisting people with redetermination in all 95 counties. We can re-enroll folks in TennCare, CoverKids, Affordable Care Act and Medicare Savings Program. GetCoveredTenn – ACA, TennCare, CoverKids Insurance; A post from admin on GetCoveredTenn - ACA, TennCare, CoverKids Insurance provided by: <https://getcoveredtenn.org>
- The Bedford County school system is partnering with the health department to offer vaccines and a resource fair on August 15th from 4:00-6:30 p.m. at Harris Middle School.

Resources mentioned during call:

- Join the Tennessee Department of Health, Office of Strategic Initiatives and Office of Minority Health for the **2023 Getting Grant Ready** in-person day and a half training. We'll cover everything from researching grant opportunities to writing a winning proposal. Don't miss out on this opportunity to take your grant writing skills to the next level. To learn more and register, click on the link below:

[Getting Grant Ready- West Tennessee](#)

Thursday, August 10th & Friday, August 11th

*Deadline to register for West, TN is 4:30pm Friday, July 28th

[Getting Grant Ready- East Tennessee](#)

Thursday, August 17th & Friday, August 18th.

*Deadline to register for East, TN is 4:30pm Friday, August 4th

[Getting Grant Ready- Middle Tennessee](#)

Tuesday, September 5th & Wednesday, September 6th.

*Deadline to register for Middle, TN is 4:30pm Friday, August 4th

Register now to secure your spot!!!

For more information, please email lashan.dixon@tn.gov

- A clinician (physician, nurse practitioner, physician assistant, social worker, psychologist) who sees or anticipates seeing adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities.

- Accepts Amerigroup insurance.
- Willing to attend a six-month series of one-hour sessions by Zoom, first and third Thursdays starting September 7th at 12 PM Central Time

If you meet the above criteria, please click on the link below to review, and sign the consent form for this project. The consent form will include information on compensation, time commitment, and other details. You are welcome to ask questions at any time by emailing us at ProjectECHO@VUMC.org. If you'd like a flyer to share, you can email janet.shouse@vumc.org

- Vanderbilt University Medical Center annual event providing flu vaccination to faculty and staff at no charge. Flulapalooza® XI will be held on Wednesday, September 27, 2023, from 6 am to 6 pm in the tent behind Light Hall. <https://www.vumc.org/health-wellness/flulapaloozar>
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Chat Box – links / website / events:

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Next Meeting: Thursday, July 27, 2023, from 1pm-2pm via Microsoft Teams.

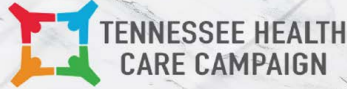
Microsoft Teams Meeting details are as follows:

Join on your computer or mobile app

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Or call in (audio only)

[+1 629-209-4396](tel:+16292094396), [641975577#](tel:+1641975577) United States, Nashville
Phone Conference ID: 641 975 577#



2023 Annual Advocacy Conference PAVING THE ROAD TO HEALTH EQUITY

Jubilee Banquet Facility,
6700 Jubilee Center Way,
Knoxville, TN

AUGUST 26, 2023
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

KEYNOTE: Leighton Ku, PhD, MPH

Director of the Center for Health Policy Research at George Washington University
Economic Benefits of Medicaid Expansion

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NAACP OAK RIDGE- ANDERSON COUNTY

BACK TO SCHOOL FAIR

22ND JULY 2023 1PM

LEARN ABOUT TOOLS FOR OAK RIDGE PARENTS AND STUDENTS

At Scarboro Community Center Gymnasium
148 Carver Avenue

Visit school booths on: STEM and Robotics demonstrations, Scholarship Information and Youth Enrichment Organizations. The Free Medical Clinic will provide back to school physicals. (Ages 3-18 years old include vaccines, hearing and vision screenings)

SCHEDULE

- 1:00 pm** Welcome! Pick up your FREE info and surprise package including a resource flier, books & school supplies.
- 1:30 pm** Presentation to Parents on Third Grade Retention by Oak Ridge Elementary School Staff. (Attend and receive gift card)
- 1:30 - 3 pm** Visit booths & learn of your child's curriculum and resources. Enjoy hot dogs, chips, cookies and drinks!

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