

**Brunswick Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee  
Minutes of Quarterly Meeting July 26, 2016**

**Members present:** Arlene Rushin, Shirley Dowd, Vince Musilli, Carol Sutter, Sheila Umbricht, Barbara Voorhees, and John Waltz.

**Ombudsman:** Patti Sacchetti

**Members absent:** Colleen Combs

Meeting opened at 10:05 a.m. by Chairperson, Vince Musilli

**Quarterly Education:**

**Update on Federal Final Rule** - Rule became Federal law on 7/1/16. There is a grace period for

NC to enact. The State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Office is working with the Administration on Community Living on required changes to state law and policies and procedures. A sponsor was not found for the short session. There is need to find a sponsor for the spring long session.

**Budget Items** - State eliminating automatic assistance for SA recipients, and residents will need to apply . Medicaid increasing facility money to \$34 a month.

**NC House Bill 667** passed out and discussed. This bill was signed 7/1/16 and amends penalty criteria and eliminates the penalty review committee for adult care home facilities and DD/MA/SA licensed facilities. Discussion was held as to the impact this may have on facilities and resident complaints.

**CMS Guidance - Justice involved individuals** - The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services reports that prisons are releasing older inmates needing medical care to nursing homes. Federal law says that if a nursing home accepts these residents, they have the same rights as other residents and cannot be held or restricted from coming and going. In addition, facilities cannot have a parole officer in the facility to monitor these residents.

**Committee Business:**

**a. Old Business -None**

**b. New Business:**

The minutes of the April 26, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved.

**Quarterly Time Sheets**

Most were submitted. Reminder 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter sheets must be submitted to Sacchetti by September 30.

**Schedule of visits for upcoming quarter**

Schedule was established with a "save the date" in the 4th quarter.

**Review of quarterly visits**

Quarterly site visits reports were presented, discussed and updates given where needed.

**Announcements:**

- 1) DeAnna Nicholas (trainee) has resigned.
- 2) Tina Jackson who will start training was invited to this meeting but could not attend.
- 3) Sacchetti has the name of a potential candidate.
- 4) Doshier Facility has been changed to Southport Nursing Center and maps of the facility with new room numbers were distributed.
- 5) Mileage Reimbursement forms also distributed.
- 6) There is new management at Shallotte Assisted.
- 7) Bed Bugs & Scabies workshop 9/9/2016.

Next quarterly business meeting October 25, 2016. This is the election meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m. after a motion by Sutter with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Walz.

Respectfully Submitted, Sheila K. Umbricht, Secretary