

NCACDSS Eastern Regional Meeting

October 23-24, 2025

DoubleTree Hotel, Atlantic Beach, NC

AMENDED Agenda

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2025

9-12 pm Director's ONLY Session

- Welcome/ Connection – Denita DeVega, Nash County
- Updates from Executive Director – Sharnese Ransome
- CAP/Divestiture Conversation
 - Experiences, Lessons Learned, Recommendations
- Open Discussion: Paying It Forward: Tackling Compression, Equity, and Starting Salaries in Local Government
- Updates from DHHS Regional Directors **(11:15-12:00)**

9-12 pm Child Welfare

Facilitator: Colleen Anderson, Pitt County DSS

- From Onboarding to Ongoing: Growing Stronger Social Workers and Supervisors (9-12)
 - CQI: County Processes and Best Practices – Holly McNeil **(9-10:30am)**
 - DHHS Training Updates – Crystale Williams **(10:30 am – 11:00 am)**
 - Training and Support for Supervisors – Allies4Outcomes **(11:00 am-12:00 pm)**

9-12 pm Economic Services

Facilitator: Craven County

- HR 1 Work Requirements Gina Hamilton (DHB-Medicaid)
- Medicaid Policy & NC Fast Functionality
- Regional Training Solutions

9-12 pm Adult Services

Facilitator: Wayne County

- OAASIS
- MDT Updates
- Hospitalizations and lack of placement resources
- Incompetence vs. Severe and Persistent Mental Illness
- Unclaimed Bodies Open Discussion/County Best Practices

9-12 pm Fiscal/Budget

- See LBL Agenda

12-1:30 pm LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:30-4 pm JOINT Session- Open to all

- **1:30-2:00 pm** --LBL Updates – Caleb Hawkins, NC DHHS
- **2:00-3:15 pm**-- HR 1 Gina Hamilton (DHB-Medicaid) and Yvonne Copeland (DCFW_SNAP)
- **3:15-4:00 pm**--Recruitment/Retention/Workforce Support – Allies4Outcomes

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- **9-10:30 am** -- IMPACT Clinic – Dr. Courtney Caiola, East Carolina University, Brody School of Medicine
Dr. Chandra Speight, East Carolina University, Department of Advanced Nursing.
- **10:30-12 pm** -- Child & Family Specialty Plan – Kristy Kent, BCBS & Chameka Jackson, NC Medicaid