



State of South Carolina
Department on Aging

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Governor

Connie D. Munn
Director

**Alzheimer's Resource Coordination Center Advisory
Council Meeting
Columbia, South Carolina
December 6, 2022**

MINUTES

The Alzheimer's Resource Coordination Center Advisory Council met on Tuesday, December 6, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. This was a Hybrid meeting conducted at the SC Department on Aging.

This meeting is in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act's mandate that the public be notified when the public's business is being done and that furthermore, the public has been notified that this meeting is accessible to individuals with disabilities, and special accommodations can be arranged if requested in advance.

Present:

Ms. Jennifer Brewton	SC Department on Aging
Dr. Jessica Broadway	VAMC, Charleston (via Zoom)
Ms. Megan Byers	University of South Carolina, Office for the Study on Aging (via Zoom)
Dr. Steve Carroll	Medical University of South Carolina (via Zoom)
Dr. Terry Dodge	SC Medical Association
Dr. Miriam Evans	South Carolina State University (via Zoom)
Melissa Gilliam	South Carolina Healthcare Association (via Zoom)
Ms. Emma Kennedy	DHEC (via Zoom)
Ms. Sheila Lewis	SC Department on Aging
Mr. Robert McBurney	SC DDSN
Dr. Maggi Miller	Alzheimer's Registry, Office for the Study of Aging, UofSC (via Zoom)
Mr. Joseph Myers	AARP (via Zoom)
Ms. Denise Kish	SCALA (via Zoom)
Ms. Vickie Moody	Leading Age, SC (via Zoom)
Dr. Cynthia Port	Coastal Carolina University (via Zoom)
Rebecca Smith	SC Silver Haired Legislature (via Zoom)
Ms. Janae Stowe	SC Association of Area Agencies on Aging (via Zoom)
Ms. Taylor Wilson	Alzheimer's Association, SC Chapter
Ms. Eboni Whitehurst	DHEC (via Zoom)

Guests from South Carolina Alzheimer's Network (SCAN) via Zoom:

Dr. Nick Milano, Dr. Robert Adams, Dr. Rick Foster, Tracy Waring

Guest from the Weather's Group:

Rieta Drinkwine, Katie Zenger

Guest from the Alzheimer's Association: Cindy Alewine

Guest from Leading Age SC: Kassie South (via Zoom)

Guest from SC Department of Social Services: Tammy Fullwood

Other guests: Russell Morrison, David Chandler

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Taylor Wilson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., read the FOI statement/Americans with Disabilities Compliance Pledge, and welcomed all council members and guests to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Carroll motioned to approve the September 16, 2022 meeting minutes, Ms. Moody, seconded. Minutes were approved.

PROCESS REVIEW AND LEVEL SETTING

The Weather's Group facilitated the meeting. Ms. Zenger informed the members that we were in the final phase for direction of the plan. Subcommittees have been meeting from June 2022 to December 2022 and that we were six weeks away from finalizing the plan.

VISION, MISSION, VALUES REVIEW + APPROVAL

- "Vision-All people impacted by Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias have the opportunity to live the highest quality of life." Discussion on wording to include "people at risk" or "those who may be impacted".
- Mission-Catalyze statewide collaboration to promote high-quality dementia services and a coordinated and equitable continuum of care across South Carolina for all people affected by Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias.
- Value-Dignity, Integrity, Equity, Community, Information.

DEFINING SUCCESS

The members were broken into groups. Feedback (just to name a few) was given on the following strategies:

- Education (the importance of educating providers, the community, legislators, minimizing disparities, care providers, minimizing stigma of ADRD).
- Advocacy & Policymaking (example- taking a grassroots approach, educating legislators, continued awareness of Alzheimer's State House Day).
- Access & Connection to Care (virtual care needed, state funding needed, ADRD clinics needed statewide, collaboration needed across the state, incentives needed to attract talent to SC, role of faith-based community).
- Caregiver Support (resources needed for caregivers at time of diagnosis, resources for those caregivers who are in crisis coping with behaviors related to ADRD, telehealth access, financial support needed, workplace protection for caregivers, respite, expand financial needs).

COUNCIL BUSINESS

Ms. Wilson and Ms. Brewton presented plaques to Dr. Dodge and Ms. Moody in recognition of their retirements and years of service to the ARCC Council. Dr. Dodge has served for 16 years, Ms. Moody, 10 years.

Ms. Zenger stated that the strategic SC Statewide 5-year plan to address ADRD will wrap up by February 1, 2023 and implementation will take place afterwards.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no additional business, Ms. Wilson adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila H. Lewis



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Alzheimer's Resource Coordination Center Advisory
Council Meeting
Columbia, South Carolina
June 16, 2022

MINUTES

The Alzheimer's Resource Coordination Center Advisory Council met on Thursday, June 16, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. This was a Hybrid meeting conducted at the SC Department on Aging.

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Present:

Mr. Andrew Boozer	SC Association of Council on Aging Directors
Ms. Jennifer Brewton	SC Department on Aging
Dr. Jessica Broadway	VAMC, Charleston
Ms. Megan Byers	University of South Carolina, Office for the Study on Aging
Dr. Steve Carroll	Medical University of South Carolina
Dr. Miriam Evans	South Carolina State University (via Zoom)
Melissa Gilliam	South Carolina Healthcare Association (via Zoom)
Dr. Scott Habakus	Consumer/Caregiver (via Zoom)
Ms. Emma Kennedy	DHEC
Ms. Marilynn Koerber	SC Nurses Association (via Zoom)
Ms. Sheila Lewis	SC Department on Aging (via Zoom)
Mr. Robert McBurney	SC DDSN
Ms. Denise Kish	SCALA
Ms. Marilyn Koeber	SC Nurses Association (via Zoom)
Ms. Vickie Moody	Leading Age, SC (via Zoom)
Dr. Cynthia Port	Coastal Carolina University
Ms. Janae Stowe	SC Association of Area Agencies on Aging
Ms. Taylor Wilson	Alzheimer's Association, SC Chapter
Ms. Eboni Whitehurst	DHEC (via Zoom)

Guests from South Carolina Alzheimer's Network (SCAN):

Dr. Nick Milano, Dr. Robert Adams, Dr. Rick Foster (via Zoom), Tracy Smith

Guest from the Weather's Group:

Rieta Drinkwine, Katie Zenger (both via Zoom)

Guest from the Alzheimer's Association:
DeeAnn Jones

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Taylor Wilson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m., read the FOI statement/Americans with Disabilities Compliance Pledge, and welcomed all council members and guests to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Carroll motioned to approve the March 11, 2022 meeting minutes, Megan Byers, seconded. Minutes were approved.

INTRODUCTION AND NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Wilson announced that Dr. Dodge has resigned from the Council, having served since 1994. Director Munn will present an appreciation plaque to Dr. Dodge at a later date.

State Strategic Plan

Ms. Wilson announced that there would be more subcommittee meetings in preparation of the State strategic plan. The Weather's Group was selected to help with the strategic plan. Ms. Wilson introduced Katie Zenger and Rita Drinkwine from the Weather's Group. Ms. Zenger and Ms. Drinkwine discussed some of their approaches to assisting and building a coalition. Ms. Wilson committed on what and how the Weather's Group will help with the 5-year funding flow from CDC.

South Carolina Alzheimer's Plan (SCAN) Update

Dr. Milano introduced team and presented preliminary results from the Plan Primary Provider Survey. The survey is still being conducted, ending June 30, 2022.

- 96.7 % of Adult Primary Care Practices are actively involved with providing care for Alzheimer's patients
- Dementia support most needed is the management of behavioral issues
- Most critical barrier to provide effective care is the lack of specialty and ancillary resources to assist with diagnosis and management
- Next steps, continue to collaborate with statewide stakeholders, develop detailed care model for SCAN
- The survey supports the need for a different Alzheimer's disease care model in South Carolina

Dr. Foster added that this is an opportunity for improvement and the importance of working with PCPs to make them aware of the range of research opportunities to ADRD patients. Dr. Foster discussed the need for more specialists.

Remarks from Director Connie Munn

Director Munn thanked the Council for their support. Pictures were taken with Council members and guests.

Subcommittee Updates

Andrew Boozer (Community Programs, Resources and Caregiver Support) reported on the revised plans, idea to include law enforcement. Mr. Boozer also reported on the virtual library. Ms. Wilson reminded members that the Google library could be found on Google docs.

Denise Kish ((Professional Care In-Home and Facilities (LTC/HCBS), long-term care has workforce issues.

Emma Kennedy (Chair, Public Health: Early Detection/Diagnosis and Brain Health), reported on continuation of funding, Brain Health To Heart messaging, toolkit ready by July 2022, and work on the strategic plan.

Dr. Carroll (Chair, Research and Evaluation) reported on the strategic plan recommendations and the development of the ADRC. Ms. Wilson discussed the importance of the development of the Alzheimer's Disease and Research Center (ADRC) and thanked Dr. Carroll for his involvement with implementing the ADRC.

Brain Challenge Pilot Project

Ms. Wilson announced that on June 27 the mayor of Charleston will challenge faith-based institutions to implement the key components of brain health (exercise, eating healthy, learning something new, and socialization).

ARCC 2022-2023 Grant Recipients

Sheila Lewis gave a report on the grantees, which include the following: Alz Svs of Greater Beaufort, Leeza's Care Connection, Lexington County Sheriff's Department, MapHabit, Inc., Midlands Community Development Corporation, Mother DeVeaux Adult Daycare, Newberry County Council on Aging, Respite Care Charleston, SC Christian Council, Inc., St. James South Santee Senior and Community Center, and Straight Road International.

OTHER BUSINESS

Jennifer Brewton announced that the SCDOA was awarded the Master Plan for Aging learning contract from CHCS. Several community partners, UofSC being one of them, have agreed to collaborate with the SCDOA to help advance a Master Plan for Aging.

The SCDOA is looking to apply for funding for the No Wrong Door System for the state.

New Dementia Specialist position to open soon. This position will be grant funded through the American Rescue Plan (ARP) for two years.

Ms. Wilson announced that Doodle Polls would be sent out for subcommittee dates.

NEXT MEETING

September, date and time TBD

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no additional business, Ms. Wilson adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila H. Lewis



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Alzheimer's Resource Coordination Center
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Columbia, South Carolina
March 11, 2022

MINUTES

The Alzheimer's Resource Coordination Center Advisory Council met on Friday, March 11, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. Due to ongoing concerns regarding the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting was conducted virtually, using the ZOOM platform.

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Present:

Ms. Margaret Alewine	SC Department of Health and Human Services
Mr. Andrew Boozer	SC Association of Council on Aging Directors
Ms. Jennifer Brewton	SC Department on Aging
Dr. Jessica Broadway	VAMC, Charleston
Ms. Megan Byers	University of South Carolina
Dr. Steve Carroll	Medical University of South Carolina
Ms. Kelly Cordell	SC Department of Social Services
Dr. Miroslav Cuturic	SC Department of Mental Health
Ms. Emma Kennedy	DHEC
Ms. Marilyn Koerber	SC Nurses Association
Ms. Sheila Lewis	SC Department on Aging
Mr. Robert McBurney	SC DDSN
Mr. Joseph Meyers	AARP
Dr. Maggi Miller	Alzheimer's Registry, Office for the Study of Aging, USC
Ms. Tracey Smith	Ms. Janae Stowe, Santee-Lynches Regional Council of Governments
Ms. Taylor Wilson	Alzheimer's Association, SC Chapter
Ms. Eboni Whitehurst	DHEC
Ms. Rebecca Smith	SC Silver Haired Legislature

Guests from South Carolina Alzheimer's Network (SCAN):

Dr. Nick Milano, Dr. Robert Adams, Dr. Rick Foster, Tracey Smith.

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Wilson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m., read the FOI statement/Americans with Disabilities Compliance Pledge, and welcomed all council members and guests to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Joseph Myers motioned to approve the December 7, 2021 meeting minutes, Dr. Adams, seconded. Minutes approved.

INTRODUCTION AND NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Byars has agreed to serve as Secretary for the Council.

South Carolina Alzheimer's Network (SCAN) Plan

Ms. Wilson introduced guests of SCAN and shared the possibility of partnering with them to help fulfill the duties of the ARCC Council.

Presentation of the SCAN plan presented by Dr. Milano. Dr. Milano discussed the challenges of getting adequate care for those living with Alzheimer's disease and other related disorders (ADRD), and their families and caregivers. Scan would serve as a network for the state. Other topic discussions:

- Limited clinicians in SC, and in US
- SC dubbed as a "neurology desert", as well as a "geriatrician desert"
- Discussed barriers of clinical trials, not enough research centers
- Discussed models of other states that have a similar SCAN program
- Discussed the importance of collaborations, funding, communication, training, networking, creating "hubs"(clinical centers)
- Primary Care needs to be a major part of the program
- Telemedicine
- Possibility of AAA's being centers

Discussion about the lack of access to healthcare in the PEE DEE Region and other rural areas.

Dr. Carroll discussed the importance of ADRD centers working cooperatively.

Ms. Eboni Whitehurst discussed the BOLD initiative and how it will complement the ARCC and the SCAN plan, and that public health needs to be involved. Ms. Whithurst shared that a strategic plan consultant will be hired to help with the State Plan. She also urged Council to give feedback on the State recommendations.

Dr. Milano thanked the Council for the opportunity to present.

JUNE MEETING PLANS

Ms. Wilson discussed having the June meeting on same day as Governor's press conference. Official day and time TBD. Doodle poll will be sent out. She also would like to have subcommittees meet once before full Council meets. Ms. Taylor shared that the ARCC needs technology for a forum (i.e. keeping documents, calendar of events). She also asked the Council to seek grants for ARCC or for their organizations.

SC ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE REGISTRY UPDATE

Dr. Miller reported that the 2021 Data is complete, waiting for final approval. Data should be on their website (U of SC Arnold School of Public Health, Alzheimer's Disease Registry) in two weeks. One-pager of the data should be available in a couple of weeks. Dr. Miller also stated that she could get Map Data for the SCAN program.

OTHER BUSINESS

Dr. Foster shared that funding opportunities for Alzheimer's disease related to COVID are available. Funding plans for persons who have long Covid.

Dr. Carroll shared that the brain bank is conducting research on those (brains) who had Long Covid.

Ms. Brewton shared that the ACL Community grant will be announced soon, the grant is funding is up to \$100,000. She also reminded the Council about the ARCC grant.

Ms. Wilson reminded members to submit recommendations for the State Plan, Doodle Polls for subcommittees will be sent. She thanked the members for their support.

NEXT MEETING

June, date, place, and time, TBD.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no additional business, Ms. Wilson adjourned the meeting at 11:21 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila H. Lewis

