

2022: Year in Review

2022 has been a year of change, transition, and progress for the Coalition.

I am so proud and grateful for the great work and advancements made possible by the time and dedication of our members. As we look to 2023, I am excited to continue expansion of the Coalition's reach and impact across the state. In addition to our many workgroup initiatives, we will actively pursue our public policy and legislative agendas, finalize our strategic work plan, and promote a culture of care that prioritizes person-centered quality of life, access, and equity across the age spectrum for those living with serious illness, their families, and their communities.—EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR VIRGINIA SLOCUM



Highlights

- Smooth mid-year transition of Coalition leadership responsibilities
- Recruited five interns to support and advance initiatives
- Developed Coalition Strategic Workplan
- Developed and promoted 2022 Progress Report
- Developed Public Policy and Legislative Agenda Committee
- Planned, promoted and hosted successful Virtual Symposium
- Recruited and engaged new participants from new sectors

ADVANCE CARE PLANNING WORKGROUP

- Developed State-wide Medical School Collaboration Initiative (in collaboration with the Clinical Practice workgroup)
- Completed Advance Care Planning glossary of terms
- Provided workshops on Advance Care Planning
- Received approval from the NCMS Ethics and Judicial Affairs Committee for the changes to the NC Portable DNR form
- Developed plan to align the NC MOST form with the National POLST

CAREGIVER & PATIENT ENGAGEMENT WORKGROUP

- Formed the "Caregiving Collaborative" with the Coalition, NC Coalition on Aging, and the NC Children's Complex Care Coalition
- Members authored "Caregiving Across the Life Course" article draft, submitted to the *NC Medical Journal*
- Participated in the National Alliance for Caregiving's Unified State strategy initiative
- Informed the implementation of the "Caregiver Listening Sessions Study," funded by the CARES Act & NC DHHS and facilitated through NCIOM to study caregiving experiences through and beyond COVID.
- Received the Changing the Care Conversation grant (Grantmakers in Aging and Community Catalyst), recruited 12 Caregiving Champions and hosted multiple planning sessions in preparation for May 2023 Caregivers Policy Summit.

CLINICAL PRACTICE & QUALITY WORKGROUP

- Developed State-wide Medical School Collaboration Initiative (in collaboration with the Advance Care Planning workgroup)
- Secured AHEC Grant to provide education
- Collaborated with CaroNova to design a state-wide serious illness model
- Identified key areas of education needed to advance provider training and education

COMMUNICATIONS, ADVOCACY, AND EDUCATION WORKGROUP

- "Joining Our Voices" Virtual Symposium planning and promotion
- Progress Report planning and distribution
- Strengthened website as information & promotion hub
- Hosted 25 Friday Facts and engaged new leaders to be interviewed
- Advanced conversations on health equity in healthcare services, research, policy
- Developed Monthly Coalition Newsletter

2023 Calendar

Monthly meetings (11am-1pm):

- January 20
- February 17
- March 17
- April 21
- May 19
- June 16
- July 21
- August 18
- September 15
- October 20
- November 17
- December 15

Friday Facts (8:30-9am):
2nd and 4th Fridays

Link to Monthly Meetings and Friday Facts: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85220751096>

Progress Report update: Spring

Virtual Symposium: November

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