

MEETING AGENDA



EVENT:	Testing Surge Workgroup	Date / Time:	August 28, 2020 @ 1130
Author:	Lindsay Garfinkel, EY	Approved:	September 11, 2020

Enter information below: (text box will automatically expand, numbering is

automatic) Required Attendees (X=Present): **NCDHHS** Sec. Mandy Cohen **NCDHHS** Dr. Betsey Tilson Χ **NCDHHS** Dr. Scott Shone **NCDHHS** Dr. Cardra Burns Χ X **NCDHHS** Dr. Zack Moore **NCDHHS** Dr. Shannon Dowler **NCDHHS NCDHHS** Jay Ludlam Χ Azzie Conley **NCDHHS** Amanda Fuller-Moore Traci Butler LabCorp Χ Х Clay Gibson Natalie Jackson Dr. Michael Datto Quest Duke Х Χ Betsey Swider **MAKO** Josh Arant **Atrium Health** Dr. Gerald Capraro Х **UNC Health** Dr. Melissa Miller NC Medical Dr. Garrett Franklin Χ Х Society **NCCHCA Old North State** Dr. Charlene Green Chris Shank **Medical Society Community Rep** Dr. Mark Massing Χ **Mecklenburg Cty** Dr. Meg Sullivan **NC Board of** Jay Campbell **NC Healthcare** Dr. John Fallon or Dr. Χ Χ **Pharmacy Association** Mary Jo Cagle **NC** Institute of Doug Urland **NCALHD** Stacie Saunders and Х Lisa Macon Harrison **Public Health UNC Gillings** Dr. Kauline Cipriani **Resolve to Save** Marina Smelyanskaya Χ School of Global Lives Lyz Ortiz **Public Health** Manatt (in support of Emily Carrier Guests: Natalie Ivanov, Rhonda NC DHHS) Stephens, Aditi Mallick, Carlton Carroll, Chris Dobbins, Dana Webb-Randall, Jason S. Ernst & Young (in Lindsav Garfinkel Χ support of NC DHHS) Marshall Turner, Brian Weeks

Agenda:

- ١. Welcome and Roll Call—Dr. Burns (5 min)
- Approval of August 21st Meeting Minutes—Dr. Burns (5 min) II.
- Opening Remarks—Secretary Cohen, if available (5 min) III.
- IV. **New Business**
 - a. *Test Trends and Hot Topics*—Drs. Tilson, Moore, and Shone (15 min)



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- Case Trends
- Revised CDC Testing Guidance
- b. Strategies to Increase Testing Volume—Dr. Tilson (10 min)
- c. Respiratory Pathogen Surveillance and COVID Testing Follow-up Discussion—Dr. Shone (15 min)
- d. Scientific Council Progress update (10 min)
 - Next Gen Sequencing—Dr. Datto
 - Saliva Testing —Dr. Fallon
- V. Due Outs Assigned and Closing—Drs. Burns, Tilson or Moore, if available (5 min)
 - No Meeting September 4th

Tasks / Due Outs: (List the recommended lead responsible for each task)

Due Date	Organization POC	Task
-	Zack Moore	Push messaging around NC's stance on testing guidance through provider channels
8/28	Scott Shone	Send the slide from the respiratory pathogen surveillance and COVID testing follow up discussion to Dr. Miller

Discussion by Major Topic: (Information not covered on slides or handouts)

- I. Welcome and Roll Call—Dr. Burns (5 min)
 - a. Dr. Cipriani is stepping down.
- II. Approval of August 21st Meeting Minutes—Dr. Burns (5 min)
 - a. There was a motion and a second; the minutes were approved.
- III. Opening Remarks—Secretary Cohen, if available (5 min)
- IV. New Business
 - a. *Test Trends and Hot Topics*—Drs. Tilson, Moore, and Shone (15 min)
 - i. Case Trends
 - 1. NC is overall trending in the right direction, but there has been an increase in cases in the 18-24 age group, likely associated with return to university.
 - ii. Consider creating a mass vaccination strategy workgroup soon.
 - iii. Revised CDC Testing Guidance
 - 1. Not changing NC's guidance.
 - 2. Everyone should follow control measures.
 - b. Strategies to Increase Testing Volume—Dr. Tilson (10 min)
 - i. Barriers:
 - 1. Testing fatigue.
 - 2. May not want to and/or be able to quarantine/isolate.



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- 3. May be hesitant to get tested for fear of ICE being present at test sites.
- 4. May be waiting for a vaccine to come soon.
- 5. Age different perspectives regarding the virus
- ii. Strategies:
 - 1. Thinking through ways to increase access to testing in high priority populations and high-risk settings.
 - 2. Enhance/rapidly deploy a mobile testing strategy.
 - 3. Work with trusted partners.
 - 4. Increase testing in communities that have college campuses.
- iii. Note: some communities are not seeing a downturn in testing, but rather an upturn.
- iv. College campuses: students who test positive are staying on campus for Q&I; known close contacts are directed to get a test before they leave campus; everyone is directed to quarantine/isolate for 14 days once they leave campus.
- **c.** Respiratory Pathogen Surveillance and COVID Testing Follow-up Discussion—Dr. Shone (15 min)
 - i. Seeing what comes out at the national level.
 - ii. Still working through this.
 - iii. Discussed which tests to run and in which order based on symptomology and setting.
 - iv. Discussed availability of platforms.
 - v. A positive of a flu or COVID test does not rule out the other.
- d. Scientific Council Progress update (10 min)
 - i. Next Gen Sequencing—Dr. Datto
 - 1. Two have received EUA approval.
 - 2. This could be beneficial in the clinical setting, but it is not cost effective.
 - ii. Saliva Testing —Dr. Fallon
 - 1. Saliva is significantly less sensitive than the NP test.
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