

**Health Professional Workforce Workgroup**

**March 22, 2011**

**9:00-12:00**

**Agenda**

9:00-9:10

**Welcome and Introductions**

**Thomas J. Bacon, DrPH**

Director

NC Area Health Education Centers Program

**John Price, MPA**

Director

North Carolina Office of Rural Health and Community Care

9:10-9:20

**Overview of the Institute of Medicine Future of Nursing Report**

**Polly Johnson, RN, MSN, FAAN**

President and CEO

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9:20-10:30

**Nursing Perspective: Existing Barriers/Challenges to Meeting the Primary Care Needs of North Carolina**

**Deborah C. Varnam, MSN, FNP-BC, FAANP**

AANP NC Representative

NCNA Coastal Region Liaison

Varnam Family Wellness Center, PLLC

**Victoria Soltis-Jarrett, PhD, PMHCNS/NP-BC**

Clinical Associate Professor

Coordinator of the PMHNP Program

Family Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

**Anne Derouin DNP, CPNP**

Clinical Associate, Duke School of Nursing

Southern High School Wellness Center

Duke Community and Family Medicine

10:30-11:45

**Policy Options for Reducing Existing Barriers/Challenges**

**Bobby Lowery MN, FNP-BC**

Clinical Assistant Professor

Director, Adult Nurse Practitioner and Family Nurse Practitioner  
Concentrations

**Polly Johnson, RN, MSN, FAAN**

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**Renee Godwin Batts, RN, MSN**

Program Coordinator, Health Sciences

North Carolina Community College System

11:45-12:00

**Update on Grants and Public Comment Period**