



NCIOM Task Force on the Mental Health, Social, and Emotional Needs of Young Children and Their Families

Overview of the Task Force Process

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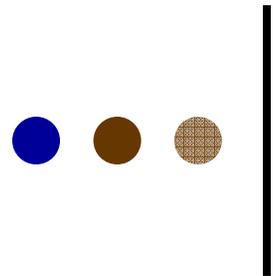
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Overview

- Background on the North Carolina Institute of Medicine
- Task Force Process
- Charge to the Task Force



NC Institute of Medicine

- Quasi-state agency chartered in 1983 by the NC General Assembly to:
 - Be concerned with the health of the people of North Carolina
 - Monitor and study health matters
 - Respond authoritatively when found advisable
 - Respond to requests from outside sources for analysis and advice when this will aid in forming a basis for health policy decisions

NCGS §90-470

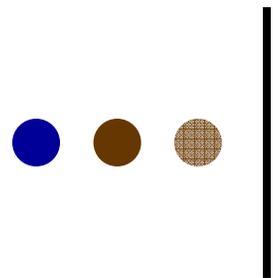




NCIOM Membership

- Members appointed by the Governor for 5-year terms
 - Includes representatives from government; the health professions; business and industry; the hospital, nursing facility, and insurance industries; the voluntary sector; faith communities; and the public at-large
- Governed by 27 member board
 - Includes representatives from the health professions; academic health centers; NC AHEC Program; NC Hospital Association; NC Medical Society; NC Health Care Facilities Association; BCBSNC; NC Department of Health and Human Services; and other community and business organizations





NCIOM Studies

- NCIOM studies issues at the request of:
 - North Carolina General Assembly
 - North Carolina state agencies
 - Health professional organizations
 - NCIOM Board of Directors
- Often work in partnership with other organizations to study health issues



● ● ● | Task Force Process

- NCIOM creates broad-based task forces to study health issues facing the state
 - Task Forces generally comprised of between 30-60 people
 - Task Forces are guided by co-chairs who run the meetings
 - Task Force members typically include representatives of state and local policy makers and agency officials, health professionals, insurers, business and community leaders, consumers and other interested individuals
 - Meetings are open to the public



● ● ● | Task Force Process (cont'd)

- Task Force work guided by a smaller steering committee
 - People with expertise or knowledge of the issue
 - Help shape the agenda and identify potential speakers
- Presentations
 - May include research summaries and/or statistics, descriptions of programs, challenges or barriers to best practices, national developments
 - Presenters may include task force members, researchers, national or state leaders, state health care professionals, consumers, or NCIOM staff

● ● ● | Task Force Process (cont'd)

- NCIOM staff

- NCIOM staff will prepare agendas, invite speakers, gather information, and identify evidence-based studies (when available) to inform the Task Force's work
- Staff write first draft of the report

● ● ● | Task Force Process (cont'd)

- Task Forces generally run from 9-18 months
 - Approximately first two-thirds of meetings are for fact-finding, to identify the problem and identify potential solutions
 - Last third of meetings are to discuss and refine recommendations, review draft copies of the report
 - ***Task Force and Steering Committee members are encouraged to comment on written materials and recommendations throughout the process***

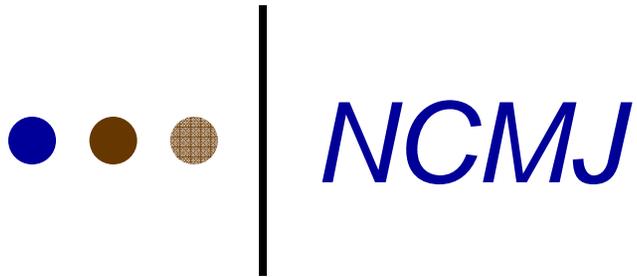
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- Task Force report
 - Report is circulated several times before being finalized
 - Task Force members may be asked to prioritize recommendations
 - Task Force members will take final vote on the recommendations and report
- NCIOM Board of Directors
 - Board members must review and approve the report before finalized
- Reports distributed widely
 - Generally also produce shorter 2-4 page Issue Brief

● ● ● | Recent NCIOM Studies

- Some recent studies include:
 - Honoring Their Service: A Report of the NCIOM Task Force on Behavioral Health Services for the Military and Their Families (2011)
 - Healthy North Carolina 2020: A Better State of Health (2011)
 - Short- and Long-Term Solutions for Co-Location in Adult and Family Care Homes (2011)
 - Healthy Foundations for Healthy Youth (2009)
 - Prevention for the Health of North Carolina (2009)
 - Expanding Access to Health Care in North Carolina (2009)





- NCIOM also publishes the *NCMJ*
 - Each issue contains a special focus area with articles and commentaries discussing specific health issues
 - One of the issues of the *NCMJ* will include an issue brief (7-10 pages) about the Task Force's work and recommendations
 - *NC Medical Journal* circulated to more than 30,000 people across the state

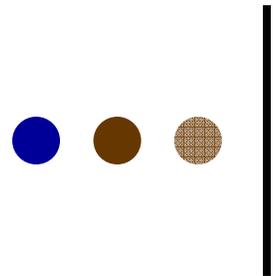




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- The North Carolina General Assembly directed the NCIOM to study
 - “the needs of young children with mental health problems and their families”
 - Section 16.1 of Session Law 2010-152
- Required to report interim findings to the 2012 session and the final report to the 2013 session





Meeting Schedule

- Upcoming meeting dates include:
 - Thursday, March 10th from 10-3 at the NCIOM
 - Friday, April 29th from 10-3 at the NCIOM
 - Friday, May 20th from 10-3 at the North Carolina Hospital Association
 - Friday, June 24th from 10-3 at the NCIOM
- Meetings will resume in August

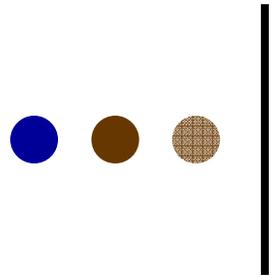




Meeting Materials on NCIOM Website

- We know that Task Force members may have conflicts for some of the meetings
 - We host webinars and conference calls for each meeting so that you can follow online or participate over the phone
 - We post meeting summaries and all meeting presentations on our website: www.nciom.org
 - Calendar and directions also available on the NCIOM website





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