



DRAFT CHIPAC Executive Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

July 17, 2026

10:00am

A quorum of the CHIPAC Executive Subcommittee attended this virtual meeting. The meeting link was posted on the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall website to allow members of the public to attend.

The following CHIPAC Executive Subcommittee members attended:

- Joanna Fowler, Virginia Health Care Foundation **Chair**
- Jen Macdonald, Virginia Department of Health **Vice Chair**
- Dr. Susan Brown, Virginia Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics
- Irma Blackwell, Virginia Department of Social Services

The following CHIPAC Executive Subcommittee members were not present:

- Kelly Cannon, Virginia Hospital and Healthcare Association

The following DMAS staff were present:

- Emily Roller, Senior Management Analyst; Policy Division
- Ali Faruk, Senior Policy Analyst; Policy Division

I. Welcome – Joanna Fowler, CHIPAC Chair

Joanna Fowler, CHIPAC Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:03am. Fowler reminded the public that the purpose of the Executive Subcommittee meetings is to plan the upcoming full Committee meeting, to be held virtually on September 10. Fowler noted that due to recent comings and goings from the CHIPAC Federal Impact Monitoring Subcommittee (FIMS), the FIMS meeting scheduled for today has been cancelled. The group will reconvene in October following the Executive Subcommittee meeting, as scheduled.

II. CHIPAC Business

- a. Review and approval of minutes from previous meeting.** Members reviewed the minutes from the April 17 Executive Subcommittee meeting. Dr. Susan Brown introduced a motion to approve the minutes, which Jen Macdonald seconded. The Subcommittee approved the minutes unanimously.
- b. Membership Updates.** Eleanor Sullivan, Virginia Poverty Law Center, and Eli Weinger, Voices for Virginia's Children, have expressed interest in CHIPAC membership. While neither organization is a code-mandated member, both are longstanding member organizations. The Executive Subcommittee agreed that both

offer valuable insight and should be placed before the full Committee for membership vote in September.

III. Planning for September 2026 Full Committee Meeting (in-person). The proposed agenda will include:

1) CHIPAC Business

- a. Review/approval of minutes from previous Full Committee meeting**
- b. Membership updates**
- c. Vote on 2027 Full Committee meeting dates**

2) Presentations/Discussion. Topics considered by the Subcommittee included an overview of Virginia's biennial budget, with emphasis on items pertaining to children's and/or pregnant women's coverage; impacts of national changes to policy on Virginia's children and pregnant members, and potential suggestions for ways to increase availability of children's coverage; updates on DMAS's annual back-to-school campaign, school-based services, school-based health centers, immunizations, and other relevant updates to care provided in or adjacent to schools.

3) Public Comment.

IV. Public Comment

Fowler invited public comment at 10:42am. Kinte Abbott, a member of the public Thanked the Subcommittee for its work and willingness to hear from the public at this meeting. Following, Fowler adjourned the meeting at 10:43am.