



**Macon County Social Services Board**  
Friday, Apr. 25, 2025 (RESCHEDULED)  
Regular Meeting Minutes

**Welcome/Call to Order**

Patrick Betancourt called the Apr. 18, 2025 rescheduled meeting of the Macon County Social Services Board to order. Members in attendance included Mike Williams, Anne Hyder, Cara Smith, Patrick Betancourt (Executive Officer and Secretary to the Board), Beneth Aiken (Clerk to the Board), and Lynne Kurimay (Agency Fiscal Officer).

**Proposed Agenda**

Proposed Agenda was approved on motion of Cara Smith, seconded by Mike Williams.

**Minutes**

March minutes were reviewed by the Board and approved on motion of Anne Hyder, seconded by Cara Smith.

**Financials and Budget Update**

Lynne reported that the agency will be receiving the fiscal year close out instructions soon. Lynne and Patrick provided an overview of the questions that County Finance had regarding several of the budgeted items including information regarding the three requested social work positions and the responses provided to those questions. Patrick added that the agency will be need to make a couple of purchases within this fiscal year, specifically computer equipment and an agency vehicle, and are in communication with the county regarding those purchases. Lynne shared that she recently had a good meeting with our local business liaison with DHHS.

**Medicaid REDA Overview**

Amy Mason presented an overview of the Medicaid program and the statewide Recipient Eligibility Determination Audit (REDA) process works to ensure that all Dept. of Social Services' Medicaid programs are following correct procedures in determining Medicaid eligibility. REDA has set an expectation of a 98.6% accuracy rate for both approvals and denials and a 90% accuracy rate for internal control issues (those issues which do not impact eligibility). Following the agency's participation in Round 2 of REDA, we should be close to that percentage. Amy gave an explanation of the steps that have to be taken in order to ensure accuracy. She further stated that continuous communication between the supervisors, auditors and DHHS field-based program staff is critical to their success.

**Board Member Update**

Patrick Betancourt and the Board discussed the upcoming board member vacancy. Patrick reported to the Board that he has been in communication with the county manager and our county commissioner liaison regarding our recommendation.

**Personnel Update/Agency Exits Data**



Beneth Aiken shared personnel updates. There were two departures from the agency in the Medicaid Unit. There was one departure from the agency at the Senior Center in the congregate meal program. Our newest social worker has successfully completed the preservice training, allowing her to begin her job responsibilities more swiftly due to her extensive experience in the field.

Motion to enter closed session was made by Anne Hyder, seconded by Mike Williams.

Motion to return from closed session was made by Cara Smith, seconded by Anne Hyder with no action taken by the Board. A motion to adjourn the meeting made by Mike Williams, seconded by Cara Smith.

These minutes were voted on and approved by the Macon County Social Services Board at its regularly held meeting on:

May 16, 2025.

	<u>May 16, 2025</u>		<u>5/16/25</u>
Executive Officer/Secretary	Date	Chairman	Date