



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex  
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## Meeting Minutes - Final HEALTH COMMITTEE

*Mary Baker Shaw, Chair*

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Monday, October 15, 2018

2:00 PM

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### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Shaw called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

### INVOCATION

Councilor Taylor gave the invocation.

### ROLL CALL

**Present** 16 - Rex Jordan; Wanda Hatfield; Shawn Crittenden; Buel Anglen; Dick Lay; David Walkingstick; Keith Austin; Mary Baker Shaw; Mike Dobbins; Harley Buzzard; Joe Byrd; Frankie Hargis ; Mike Shambaugh; E. O. "JR." Smith; Janees Taylor and Victoria Vazquez

**Absent** 1 - Bryan Warner

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Vazquez moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### REPORTS:

Claremore Service Unit - George Valliere

*Mr. Valliere reported on the flu shots. He gave a timeline on the construction of the emergency room. They are making an effort to clean the registration files. They have begun appointment reminders by text message. He announced their 3D mammography has been accredited. He offered to answer questions from the report. Councilor Buzzard inquired about the no-show appointment percentages. He inquired if they do hepatitis and/or lead tests.*

Cherokee Nation Health Services - Dr. Charles Grim

*Dr. Grim handed out the new report format. Flu shots will be given October 22 through the 26th in the main entrance of the hospital. Flu shots will also be given as a drive thru clinic at the Peace Pavilion on October 27th. He responded to Councilor*

Buzzard's question regarding mercury or lead testing of children. He offered to answer questions from the reports. Councilor Buzzard commented on the prescription numbers listed in the report. Councilor Austin requested an update on our contract health support staff location in Claremore. Dr. Grim announced Steve Carey is the new Contract Health Director. Councilor Crittenden requested an update on Stilwell being on the national list for early death rates. He requested clarification on the use of sick leave. Councilor Dobbins inquired if the behavioral health visits reported is an average number and the number of providers for that department. Councilor Lay gave appreciation to Dr. Montgomery for attending his community meeting. He requested the provider vacancy rate by clinic be included in the monthly report. He inquired about the provider vacancy at the Nowata clinic. He requested clarification on the contract health uptick and the RVU numbers in the report. Councilor Lay inquired about the refill turnaround time for elder medications. Councilor Walkingstick inquired about the third party revenue. He also requested an update on the unannounced visit from CMS. Chair Shaw inquired about how to contact a lactation coach. She also commented it has been almost a year since the provider survey was performed and inquired about it being repeated. She inquired about the process for scheduling a dental appointment. Chair Shaw asked about the referral process and inquired if the patient could make their own appointment rather than waiting on the referral. She asked if the panel findings report has been finalized. She inquired if the formulary is available online. She also inquired if the website for healthcare has been updated. Councilor Crittenden requested an update on the Stilwell clinic and to be notified as soon as any information is available. Councilor Buzzard inquired about a training session in Kansas City for more than forty staff. Chair Shaw commented on the amount of progress made in this committee over the last year.

#### OLD BUSINESS

*None pending.*

#### NEW BUSINESS

*None pending.*

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Hargis moved to adjourn. Councilor Shambaugh seconded the motion. The motion carried at 3:06 p.m.**

#### STAFF PRESENT:

Chrissi Nimmo	Jeff Sanders	Steve Jones
Elizabeth Odell	Brian Hail	Charles Grim
Roger Montgomery	David Gahn	Bill John Baker
Steve Carey	Chuck Hoskin Jr.	Canaan Duncan

VISITORS PRESENT:

*George Valliere*

*Teddy Snell*

*Tahlina Nofire Blakestad*