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## Denver Health and Hospital Authority Board Meeting Minutes

601 Broadway, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor Conf. Rm

Thursday, April 24, 2025

1:30 p.m. – 4:57 p.m.

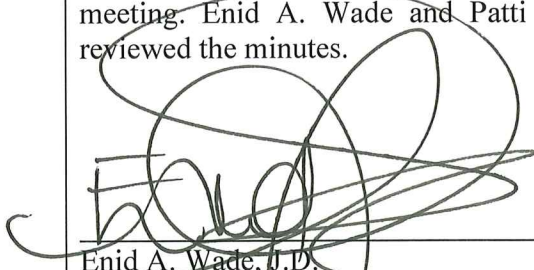
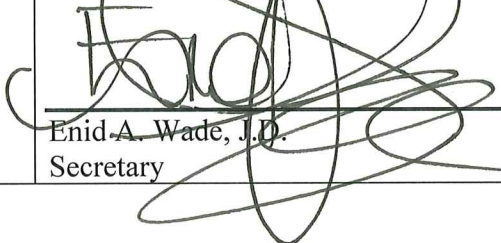
Board of Directors	Staff	Staff	Guests
<b>Present:</b>	Donna Lynne, DrPH	Morris Askenazi, M.D.	Judith Benton
Patti Klinge	April Audain	Ansar Hassan	Gina Glockner
Tom Kim	Amy Friedman	Abraham Nussbaum, M.D.	Peg Burnette
Hollie Velasquez-Horvath	Kris Gaw	Chuck Scully	Steve Clark
Frank deGruy, M.D.	Rebecca Hanratty, M.D.	Katherine Marinelli	Tracy Bruns
Chris Watney	Romana Hasnain-Wynia, Ph.D		Phil Mehler, M.D.
Jim Chavez	Amy King		Patty Gabow, M.D.
Eli Provencio-Vasquez	Jacque Montgomery		Tim Jenkins, M.D.
Doug Friednash	Natalie Nicholson, RN,		Anu Paranjape, M.D.
Pia Dean	Read Pierce, M.D.		Daniel Kortsch, M.D.
<b>Absent:</b>	Sean VanBerschot		
Kathy Nesbitt	Enid Wade, J.D.		
Lily Cervantes, M.D.	Lorena Zimmer		

Agenda Topic	Responsible Person(s)	Status/Comments
<b>I. Call to Order and Preliminary Matters</b>	Patti Klinge	Ms. Patti Klinge, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.
<b>A. Approval of March 27, 2025, Meeting Minutes</b>		A motion was made to approve the minutes, and the motion was seconded and approved unanimously.
<b>B. Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement</b>		Ms. Klinge requested disclosure of any conflicts of interest. No conflicts were disclosed.
<b>C. Key Personnel Updates</b>		Dr. Donna Lynne announced that Dr. Phil Mehler would be leaving Denver Health after a 40-year career. Dr. Mehler shared a few words about his career. Dr. Lynne introduced Dr. Ashesh Thaker as the Chair of Radiology. Dr. Lynne also recognized Ms. Amy Friedman's 17-year career at Denver Health and the legacy that she will leave. Mr. Sean VanBerschot was introduced as the

<b>A. Executive Leadership Update</b>	Donna Lynne, DrPH & Senior Leadership Team	Dr. Donna Lynne, herself or by calling on others provided updates on key Denver Health events and matters. Dr. Lynne provided a brief update on Emerging Issues, Affinity Group Meetings, and the HRSA Site Visit, which resulted on “no findings.” Ms. Kris Gaw reported on the increase of commercially insured patients since 2022 in the specialty care clinics. Dr. Pierce provided updates on the searches to fill vacant Department Chair roles. Dr. Pierce also reported briefly on the Vizient Hospital and Ambulatory Stars Performance metrics, which have improved from 2024. Mr. Ansar Hassan, reporting for Mr. Greg McCarthy, reported briefly on the 2025 Financial Updates for the Medical Plan. He also discussed the Improvement Plan with respect to several metrics that are in need of improvement and as set out in “Exhibit A” attached hereto.
<b>B. State of the Department – General Medicine</b>	Anu Paranjape, M.D.	Dr. Anu Paranjape reported on the Department of General Medicine. This department is made up of 13 divisions, 157 providers, and 233 operational team staff members. Dr. Paranjape reviewed the department’s goals, accomplishments, challenges, and initiatives.
<b>C. 10-minute Break</b>		
<b>D. Quarterly Strategy Update</b>	Lorena Zimmer	Ms. Lorena Zimmer briefly reviewed the status and progress of the 2024-26 Strategic Framework. She reviewed the Q1 Metric results and how the metrics are consistently improving.
<b>E. IT Presentation</b>	Chuck Scully & Daniel Kortsch, M.D.	Mr. Chuck Scully briefly reported on the innumerable services that the IT team provides to the organization. Services include cyber security, support of Biomedical devices and tickets, infrastructure equipment installation and upgrades, help desk requests. Dr. Daniel Kortsch briefly reported on the Clinical AI Integrations and the Impact of Epic-Gen AI License.





		unanimously. The board came out of executive session at 4:57 p.m.
<b>VII. Adjournment</b>	Patti Klinge	<p>The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:57 p.m. Katherine Marinelli transcribed the meeting. Enid A. Wade and Patti Klinge reviewed the minutes.</p>  <p>Enid A. Wade, J.D. Secretary</p>
		<p>I, Enid A. Wade, Chief Legal Officer of Denver Health and Hospital Authority, attest that the discussion during any portion of the Executive Session that was not recorded, concerned attorney-client communication.</p>  <p>Enid A. Wade, J.D. Secretary</p>