

NCMS POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

October 12, 2022

Meeting Format: In Person

ATTENDEES:

Laura Gerald, MD, MPH* <i>Committee Co-Chair</i>	Genie Komives, MD* <i>Committee Member</i>	Art Apolinario, MD <i>NCMS President-Elect</i>
Peter Morris, MD* <i>Committee Member</i>	William Lawrence, MD <i>Committee Member</i>	Kristen Spaduzzi <i>NCMS Staff</i>
Mitch Heflin, MD <i>Committee Member</i>	Tres Pittman, MD <i>Committee Member</i>	Ashley Rodriguez <i>NCMS Staff</i>
Jeffrey Katz, PA-C <i>Committee Member</i>	Sam Cohen, JD, MPP <i>Committee Consultant</i>	Alan Skipper <i>NCMS Staff</i>
Adam Zolotor, MD <i>Committee Member</i>	Gerri Mattson, MD * <i>E&J Affairs Co-Chair</i>	Emma Kate Sowder <i>NCMS Staff</i>
Lynne Fiscus, MD <i>Committee Member</i>	Elizabeth Livingston, MD* <i>Committee Guest</i>	Hannah Rice <i>NCMS Staff</i>
John Lumpkin, MD <i>Committee Member</i>	<i>*Denotes attendees participating on the Reproductive Rights Subcommittee</i>	

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

- Dr. Gerald called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the first in-person policy committee meeting in over two years. Dr. Gerald asked for everyone to introduce themselves and for fun, name a book they are reading. A list of those books is included at the end of the minutes per the request of the committee.

APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST MINUTES

- A motion to approve the August meeting minutes was brought forth and seconded. The Committee unanimously approved the August meeting minutes.

DRAFT POLICY DISCUSSION: *Access to Comprehensive Reproductive Health Care*

- The *Access to Comprehensive Reproductive Health Care* draft policy was handed out to the meeting participants for review while the subcommittee chair, Dr. Komives, provided a summarization of the subcommittee's work over the last month. The subcommittee is made up of members from the Policy Committee and the Ethical & Judicial Affairs Committee, as well as invited guest experts in OBGYN and Emergency medicine.
- The meeting participants had a very thorough and sagacious policy discussion that prompted thoughtful additions to the draft policy, which will be reviewed by the subcommittee again before being presented to the NCMS Ethical & Judicial Affairs Committee on October 24th.
- A motion to grant the subcommittee authority to make necessary changes to the draft without additional review and approval by the Policy Committee before being sent out to the membership was brought forth and approved unanimously by the committee members.
- Once the Ethical & Judicial Affairs Committee has met to discuss and approve the draft policy for membership feedback, the draft policy will be sent out to membership and stakeholders, contingent on the approval of the NCMS President. All feedback will be compiled and presented

to the subcommittee for review before being sent for a vote by the full Policy Committee and Ethical & Judicial Affairs Committee to recommend to the NCMS Board of Directors.

LOOKING AHEAD TO 2023

- Staff highlighted the policy initiatives for 2023, which includes firearm safety and the influence of outside money on medicine, as well as continuing the review and work on public health – children and environmental health.
- The 2023 Policy Committee member roster will have some spots open for new committee members.
- A reminder to all existing members who will continue on the committee in 2023 to renew their membership before the end of the year was announced. Almost everyone on the committee has a membership that expires 12/31/2022.
- The 2023 meeting schedule has not been finalized yet. An update will go out as soon as those dates are set.

NEXT MEETING & ADJOURN

- Next meeting will be virtual and is scheduled for Tuesday, December 13th @ 6:15pm.
 - Please register in advance: <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwud-uvrD4uEtS7A4fUCQxNNMYIBBTTrqzK>
- Dr. Gerald adjourned the meeting.

READING LIST

1. [*All Her Little Secrets* – Wanda M. Morris](#)
2. [*Beyond Innocence* – Phoebe Zerwick](#)
3. [*Lessons in Chemistry* – Bonnie Garmus](#)
4. [*Klara and the Sun* – Kazuo Ishiguro](#)
5. [*Crying in the H Mart* – Michelle Zauner](#)
6. [*Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End* – Atul Gawande](#)
7. [*Lower Ed: The Troubling Rise of For-Profit Colleges in the New Economy* – Tressie McMillan Cottom](#)
8. [*The Other Dr. Gilmer* – Benjamin Gilmer, MD](#)
9. [*A Promised Land* – Barack Obama](#)
10. [*Liberty is Sweet* - Woody Holton](#)
11. [*A Bookshop in Berlin* – Françoise Frenkel](#)
12. [*The Priory of the Orange Tree* – Samantha Shannon](#)
13. [*The Man Who Ran Washington: The Life and Times of James A. Baker III* – Peter Baker, Susan Glasser](#)
14. [*Five Days at Memorial* – Sheri Fink](#)
15. [*Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City* – Mathew Desmond](#)
16. [*My Grandmother's Hands* – Resmaa Menakem](#)
17. [*The Search for Modern China* – Jonathan D. Spence](#)
18. [*Emily Alone* – Stewart O’Nan](#)
19. [*Black Reconstruction* – W.E.B. Du Bois](#)
20. [*The Subtle Art of Not Giving a F*ck* – Mark Mason](#)
21. [*The Ultimate Survival Handbook* – Tony Nester](#)
22. [*A Woman of No Importance* – Sonia Purnell](#)
23. [*A Man's Search for Meaning* – Viktor Frankl](#)

24. [*Homo Deus* – Yuval Noah Harari](#)
25. [*Small Great Things* – Jodi Picoult](#)
26. [Books by Brandon Sanderson](#)