

2019 Critical Issues Symposium – Nov. 6-7th

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18th Annual VCOPPA Critical Issues Symposium

November 6-7, 2019

Richmond, VA

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The Virginia Coalition of Private Provider Associations (VCOPPA) is presenting its 18th Annual Critical Issues Symposium on November 6th-7th at the SunTrust Center in downtown Richmond. While the agenda is still being finalized, we will hear presentations from a number of state agency representatives and other important stakeholders on the many critical issues facing the health and human resources field, as well as the private special education arena. We will also get a fresh analysis of the just completed 2019 Virginia General Assembly elections and the impact that will have moving forward. This is a time of critical change and transition that is impacting all of us and the families we serve.

WHEN:

Wednesday, November 6th 9:30 AM – 6:30 PM (lunch and cocktail reception- full schedule below)

Thursday, November 7 8 AM – 3 PM (breakfast and lunch)

WHERE:

SunTrust Center, 4th Floor Conference Center

919 East Main Street, Richmond, VA

(Limited parking available in SunTrust Center, additional parking options nearby.)

HOTELS:

There are multiple hotels within a few blocks of SunTrust Center:

The Omni Richmond Hotel

Hampton Inn

Courtyard by Marriott

Delta Hotels by Marriott

The Berkley Hotel

The Commonwealth (newly renovated!)

Homewood Suites

Residence Inn

Schedule of Events

Wednesday, November 6

9:30 a.m. *Registration – 4th Floor Conference Center Auditorium*

10:00 a.m. *Welcome and Introductions – Gary L. Jones, Ph.D., VCOPPA President, CEO Youth For Tomorrow*

10:10 a.m. *MODULE A: Update on Implementation of the Family First Prevention Services Act in Virginia – Carl Ayers, Department of Social Services, Director Division of Family Services*

11:10 a.m. *MODULE B: Update on Behavioral Health Redesign Initiative – Lisa Jobe-Shields, Ph.D., DBHDS Deputy Director, Community Behavioral Health; Alyssa M. Ward, Ph.D, LCP, DMAS Behavioral Health Clinical Director, Office of the Chief Medical Officer*

12:00 noon *LUNCH*

1:00 p.m. *MODULE C: Critical State Budget Issues Facing Virginia, Now and in the Future – James J. Regimbal, Jr., Fiscal Analytics, Ltd.*

2:00 p.m. *Refreshment Break*

2:15 p.m. *MODULE D: Virginia’s Foster Care System: A Report from the Virginia Commission on Youth – Will Egen, Virginia Commission on Youth, Senior Legislative Policy Analyst*

3:15 p.m. *MODULE E: Where Do We Start? Roadmap to Ongoing Provider Issues and Review of Initial State Agency Budget Requests – Bill Elwood, VCOPPA Executive Director*

4:00 p.m. *MODULE F: The Day After: Analysis of 2019 General Assembly Election Results and Their Impact on the 2020 Session – Bill Elwood, VCOPPA Executive Director*

5:00 p.m. *Reception at SunTrust Building, 4th Floor Conference Center*

Thursday, November 7

8:00 a.m. *Registration / Breakfast*

9:00 a.m. *MODULE G: An Update on the Children’s Services Act – Scott Reiner, Executive Director, Office of Children’s Services*

10:00 a.m. *MODULE H: Medallion 4.0 and MCO’s: An Update from DMAS – Todd Clark, DMAS Manager for Member and Provider Solutions for the Medallion Program*

11:00 a.m. MODULE I: *Outcomes are Here to Stay: An Update from the Virginia Department of Education* – Hank Millward, VDOE Director, Office of Specialized Education Facilities and Family Engagement

12:00 noon LUNCH

1:00 p.m. MODULE J: Panel: *SLAT Update / Local Government CSA Perspective* – Karen Reilly-Jones, LCSW, SLAT Chair, CSA Administrator, Chesterfield County/City of Colonial Heights; Tracy Johnson, MSW, CSA Coordinator, Henrico County; Mills Jones, MSW, Director of Human Services, Goochland County; Brady Nemeyer, CSA Program Administrator, City of Richmond

2:00 p.m. MODULE K: *Developing an Advocacy Agenda for the 2020 Virginia General Assembly* – Bill Elwood, VCOPPA Executive Director

2:30 p.m. CONCLUSIONS: *Where Do We Go From Here?* – Discussion Moderated by Bill Elwood, VCOPPA Executive Director

3:00 p.m. *Adjournment* – Gary L. Jones, Ph.D., VCOPPA President, CEO Youth For Tomorrow