

**North Carolina Council for the Deaf and the Hard of Hearing  
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<b>Representation</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Appointed By</b>	<b>Date Appointed</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Deaf Consumers	Mike Lupo  <a href="mailto:mikelupo17@gmail.com">mikelupo17@gmail.com</a>	Governor	9/30/2020 <u>Reappointed</u>	6/30/2024
Deaf Consumers	Greta Knigga-Daugherty  <a href="mailto:kniggadaughertyme@appstate.edu">kniggadaughertyme@appstate.edu</a>	Governor	8/30/2021 <u>Reappointed</u>	6/30/2023
Deaf Consumers	Craig Blevins  <a href="mailto:craigsblevins@gmail.com">craigsblevins@gmail.com</a>	Governor	6/24/2014 <u>Reappointed</u> 8/9/2018	6/30/2018  6/30/2022
Hard of Hearing Consumers	Michael Tyler Evola  <a href="mailto:Mtevola97@gmail.com">Mtevola97@gmail.com</a>	Governor	6/30/2021 <u>Reappointed</u>	6/30/2025
Hard of Hearing Consumers	Linda Amato  <a href="mailto:linda.m.amato@gmail.com">linda.m.amato@gmail.com</a>	Governor	8/4/2017 7/20/2021	6/30/2021 6/30/2025
Hard of Hearing Consumers	Megan Pender  <a href="mailto:mpender@beaufort.k12.nc.us">mpender@beaufort.k12.nc.us</a>	Governor	8/9/2018	6/30/2022
NC Association of the Deaf	David Rosenthal, Council Chair  <a href="mailto:dsr.nc@twc.com">dsr.nc@twc.com</a>	Governor	8/4/2017 <u>Reappointed</u> 8/9/2018	6/30/2021  6/30/2022
Hearing Loss Association-NC	Elizabeth Strachan  <a href="mailto:Liznstrachan@gmail.com">Liznstrachan@gmail.com</a>	Governor	11/19/2019 <u>Reappointed</u>	6/30/2023
NC Deaf Blind Associates	Randal Lee Hartline  <a href="mailto:general_lee28625@yahoo.com">general_lee28625@yahoo.com</a>	Governor	11/6/2021	6/30/2023

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NC Black Deaf Advocates	Donald Tinsley Sr.  <a href="mailto:tinsleydonald@gmail.com">tinsleydonald@gmail.com</a>	Governor	11/19/2019	6/30/2023
Parent of a Deaf Child	Meredith Kaplan  <a href="mailto:meredithdenaples@gmail.com">meredithdenaples@gmail.com</a>	Governor	8/18/2014 <u>Reappointed</u> 7/13/2016 9/30/2020	6/30/2016  6/30/2020 6/30/2024
Parent of a Deaf Child	Daphne M. Peacock  <a href="mailto:daphne.peacock@esdb.dpi.nc.gov">daphne.peacock@esdb.dpi.nc.gov</a>	Governor	5/13/2020	6/30/2022
Parent of a Deaf Child	Pattie Griffin  <a href="mailto:pgrif5858@aol.com">pgrif5858@aol.com</a>	Governor	8/4/2017 <u>Reappointed</u> 9/30/2020	6/30/2021  6/30/2024
NC Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf	Laurie Ann Rook  <a href="mailto:laurierook2014@gmail.com">laurierook2014@gmail.com</a>	Governor	11/19/2019	6/30/2023
NC Pediatric Society	Robert C. Nutt, MD, MPH  <a href="mailto:rnutt@clinicforspecialchildren.net">rnutt@clinicforspecialchildren.net</a>	Governor	5/13/2020 7/27/2021	6/30/2021 6/30/2025
Licensed Audiologist	Kathryn Dowd, AuD  <a href="mailto:kdowd01@att.net">kdowd01@att.net</a>	Governor	3/17/2017 <u>Reappointed</u> 8/4/2017 7/27/2021	  6/30/2021 6/30/2025
Cochlear Implants	Erika Gagnon  <a href="mailto:erika.gagnon@unchealth.unc.edu">erika.gagnon@unchealth.unc.edu</a>	Governor	7/1/2015 <u>Reappointed</u> 11/19/2019	6/30/2019  6/30/2023
Local Education Agency	Christina Armfield  <a href="mailto:christina_armfield@abss.k12.nc.us">christina_armfield@abss.k12.nc.us</a>	Governor	9/27/2021	6/30/2025

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Educator, Deaf Education Program	Claudia Pagliaro, Ph.D.  <a href="mailto:cmpaglia@uncg.edu">cmpaglia@uncg.edu</a>	Governor	8/4/2017 7/27/2021	6/30/2021 6/30/2025
Department of Health & Human Services	Betty Kelly  <a href="mailto:betty.kelly@dhhs.nc.gov">betty.kelly@dhhs.nc.gov</a>	Secretary of DHHS	1/11/2016 <u>Reappointed</u> 8/4/2017 3/24/2021	6/30/2017  6/30/2021 6/30/2025
Department of Health & Human Services	Kevin Earp  <a href="mailto:kevin.earp@dhhs.nc.gov">kevin.earp@dhhs.nc.gov</a>	Secretary of DHHS	8/3/2009 <u>Reappointed</u> 10/28/2013 <u>Reappointed</u> 8/4/2017 8/2/2021	   6/30/2021 6/30/2025
Department of Health & Human Services	Rebecca Freeman  <a href="mailto:rebecca.freeman@dhhs.nc.gov">rebecca.freeman@dhhs.nc.gov</a>	Secretary of DHHS	8/4/2017 6/14/2021	6/30/2021 6/30/2025
Department of Health & Human Services	Brad Trotter  <a href="mailto:brad.trotter@dhhs.nc.gov">brad.trotter@dhhs.nc.gov</a>	Secretary of DHHS	10/31/2002 <u>Reappointed</u> 8/3/2009 <u>Reappointed</u> 8/4/2017 8/2/2021	   6/30/2021 6/30/2025
Department of Public Instruction	Antwan Campbell  <a href="mailto:antwan.campbell@dpi.nc.gov">antwan.campbell@dpi.nc.gov</a>	Governor	12/19/2017 10/6/2021	6/30/2021 6/30/2025
Speaker of the House	Carla Cunningham  <a href="mailto:carla.cunningham@ncleg.net">carla.cunningham@ncleg.net</a>	Speaker of the House	8/10/2017 6/9/2021	6/30/2021 6/30/2025
Speaker of the House	Diane Wheatley  <a href="mailto:diane.wheatley@ncleg.net">diane.wheatley@ncleg.net</a>	Speaker of the House	6/9/2021	6/30/2025

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President Pro Tempore	Bill Rabon  <a href="mailto:bill.rabon@ncleg.net">bill.rabon@ncleg.net</a>	Senate Pro-Tem	2/17/2011 <u>Reappointed</u> 7/1/2013 <u>Reappointed</u> 8/4/2017	6/30/2021
President Pro Tempore	Vacant	Senate Pro-Tem		
Ex-Officio Member	Jan Withers NC Department of Health & Human Services Director, Division of Services for the Deaf and the Hard of Hearing  <a href="mailto:jan.withers@dhhs.nc.gov">jan.withers@dhhs.nc.gov</a>			
Liaison	Kimberly Harrell NC Department of Health & Human Services Division of Services for the Blind  <a href="mailto:kimberly.harrell@dhhs.nc.gov">kimberly.harrell@dhhs.nc.gov</a>			

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