Final Agenda --- APPALACHIAN HEALTH POLICY ADVISORY COUNCIL
November 8-9, 2012
Tennessee Department of Health
Cordell Hull Building, Commissioner’s Conference Room
425 5th Avenue North (enter from 5th Ave)
Nashville, TN  37243

Thursday, November 8
1:30  Convene and Welcome (Bruce Behringer)
     Introductions for new Virginia member Mr. Tony Lawson

1:45  Emerging Issues: Regional Telehealth Opportunities (Charles Owens)
     • Brief recap of ARC and AHPAC history of engagement in telehealth.
     • What are emerging telehealth issues in light of technology change and health reform? (Access to care; cost of care; health system consolidation; HIT workforce)
     • Are there opportunities for multi-state activities that could benefit the region?
     • What other information would be needed to determine if this should be an ARC priority?

3:45  Break

4:00  Catch up on ARC news and business
     • ARC appropriation and reauthorization (Earl)
     • Homework assignment: Engage states

4:30  Applications of lessons from regional health initiatives (Part 1)
     Report out on 2009-2012 substance abuse initiatives (Eric, Kris Bowers)

5:00  Adjourn for the day

6:00  Reconvene for informal dinner – place TBD

Friday, November 9
8:30  Applications of lessons from regional health initiatives (continued)
     Report out on 2006-2012 ARC/CDC cancer initiative (Eric)
     Report out on 2001-2012 ARC/CDC diabetes initiative (Eric)

10:00 Emerging Issues: Regional Medical Disability Conditions and Links to Economic Strength (John Dreyzehner, Earl Gohl)
     • What are the implications of the disparate concentration of disability determinations in Appalachia?
     • Is there potential for new partnerships that could bridge health care, workforce, and economic development?
     • Are there uniquely Appalachian issues and gaps that should make disability an ARC focus? What other information would be needed to determine if this should be an ARC priority?

11:45  Other Business
     Recap, Conclusions, Assignments

12:00  Adjourn
     Box lunch available