

NORTH CAROLINA JOINT LEGISLATIVE LIFE SCIENCES CAUCUS
State of North Carolina's Life Sciences Industry
April 17, 2025, 7:30 AM
NCGA Member Cafeteria

Dear Colleague,

Co-Chairs Senator Jay Chaudhuri, Representative Donna White and Representative Robert Reives invite you to join the **North Carolina Life Sciences Caucus** for a **breakfast meeting on Thursday morning, April 17, at 7:30 a.m. in the NCGA Member Cafeteria.**

As you all know, North Carolina is home to many life sciences manufacturers, both those making their own branded products and those making products on a contracted basis. These manufactured products range from small molecule pills to large gene therapy molecules to vaccines treating chronic diseases, rare diseases, and cancer to preventing or lessening communicable diseases like measles, chicken pox, the flu, etc. This industry as we've discussed brings enormous benefits to patients around the world. It also provides many high-paying jobs across the state and according to the latest Teconomy Report that NCBiotech commissioned, NC ranks third in the drug and pharmaceutical subsector of the broader life sciences industry.

However, before the first treatment, cure or vaccine can be manufactured, it must go through rigorous testing and regulatory hurdles to be sure that it is both safe and efficacious. Today, our guest presenter will review the development pathway for these potential products, most of which never get to the commercially approved and manufacturing stage. It's a long road fraught with barriers of science, regulations, money, and time.

Following the presentation and Q&A, Laura Gunter and Joe Lanier will run through various filed bills of interest this session, adding some commentary and context.

Presenters:

Chairs: Sen Jay Chaudhuri, Rep Donna White, and Rep Robert Reives
Devin Rosenthal, Principal & Head of Due Diligence, NovaQuest Capital Management
Laura Gunter, President, NC Life Sciences Organization
Joe Lanier, Principal, Milestone Strategies and NCLifeSci lobbyist

Meeting Details

Date: Thursday, April 17

Time: 7:30 AM – 8:30 AM

Place: NCGA Member Cafeteria

Enjoy a breakfast buffet

Please RSVP with your plan to attend the caucus meeting by responding to this message or sending a separate email to Laura Gunter, President, NCLifeSci, at LauraGunter@NCLifeSci.org or Joe Lanier, NCLifeSci lobbyist, at joe@milestonestrategiesnc.com. **Please RSVP by COB, Tuesday, April 15, so that we can properly communicate with the cafeteria staff.**
