



## Small Firm. Big Results.



### Team Gardner Skelton Wins Small Firm Category in the Legal Feeding Frenzy!

Law firms and law schools in NC once again banded together in an annual friendly competition to see who could raise the most food/funds for their local food banks. Thanks to generous donations by firm employees, family, friends and clients to the Legal Feeding Frenzy, Gardner Skelton took the Small Firm Category by a wide margin! The \$3,920 raised is enough to provide 15,680 lbs. of food for those in need. The total contest raised 373,018 lbs. of food, which is about 66,000 lbs. more than in 2017!

Attorney General Josh Stein presented Caleb Holloway the award on behalf of Gardner Skelton at the April 25<sup>th</sup> ceremony in Cary. Thank you to all who contributed in support of our neighbors in need!



**NC HealthConnex Deadline Is June 1, 2018**

North Carolina's state-designated health



## NCDOL Warns Employers About Poster Scam

Watch out! The North Carolina Department of Labor has received multiple reports of scammers posing as government officials threatening significant fines for non-compliance with North Carolina's labor posting requirements, then demanding that employers buy expensive Labor Posters to "bring them into compliance."

Labor Commissioner Cherie Berry recently confirmed that the calls are fraudulent and should be ignored.

Posters required by the NCDOL are free. To obtain copies of the posters, visit [www.nclabor.com/posters/posters.htm](http://www.nclabor.com/posters/posters.htm)

information exchange ("HIE"), NC HealthConnex, is currently linking providers across the state who receive state funds for health services like Medicaid, NC Health Choice, and the State Health Plan. The HIE is a secure electronic database that collects and shares patient data among providers, improving communication and coordination of care for patients across the state. The deadline for connecting with the HIE is June 1, 2018. Practices that miss the deadline (and do not get an extension) may not receive payment for services provided to beneficiaries of Medicaid and other state programs after June 1.

Hospitals, physicians, physician assistants, and nurse practitioners who provide state-funded services and have electronic health record systems are required to connect to the HIE. An entity like a hospital or a physician practice would sign on behalf of its individual providers. You can see if your organization is already participating by checking the HIE's website at

[https://files.nc.gov/hiea/documents/files/nchealthconnexparticipants\\_march2018.pdf](https://files.nc.gov/hiea/documents/files/nchealthconnexparticipants_march2018.pdf).

If you would like more information about connecting to or participating in the HIE, one of the members of Gardner Skelton's health care law team would be glad to assist you.

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