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Sherée Thaxton Vodicka coordinates the North Carolina Healthy Weight Initiative for the NC Division of Public Health, ensuring continued progress in the implementation of North Carolina's plan to improve the physical activity and eating patterns of the state's children and youth. She also serves as the Physical Activity and Nutrition Branch's primary media contact. Sherée has conducted training and continuing education programs for educators, health professionals and consumer leaders.

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