



**RYAN WHITE CARE COUNCIL
CHILDREN'S BOARD, TAMPA
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2009
1:30 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER The meeting of the Ryan White Care Council was called to order by Dave Konnerth, Chair at 1:35 p.m.

ATTENDANCE See attached attendance list.

CHANGES TO AGENDA There were no changes to the agenda.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES The minutes for June 3 were approved (M: Davis, S: Bundrock) unanimously.

CHAIR'S REPORT Dave Konnerth reminded members of the required retreat in October and to indicate a meeting alternate in writing if they have not already done so. Our Parliamentarian, David Hasiba, has been granted a two month medical leave from the Care Council. Janet Kitchen, as Care Council Vice Chair will serve as the Chair of SIOC (Standards, Issues and Operations Committee) which is the executive board of the care Council. Any items for the attention of SIOC should be presented to Janet. Committee Chairs or Co-Chairs are expected to attend Care Council meetings to report what is happening at the committee level.

GRANTEE'S REPORT Aubrey welcomed new Care Council members and shared appreciation for the community service of all members.

The Part A grant application guidance, which usually is released in mid July, is expected in the next several weeks. The grant application is our official request for federal funds. A draft narrative will be made available for review and comment before a final submission.

Our Part A funds for FY 08-09 were spent out to 99.7%. The Grantee's office has requested the unspent \$28,000 in carryover, which has been earmarked for Insurance Services. The request was approved and the funds are expected by the end of September so that they can be fully expended by grant year end.

The Ryan White legislation sunsets on September 30, 2009. Our HRSA (Health Resources and Services Administration) project officer has

indicated that two options are being considered. The first option is to eliminate the sunset provision and keep the current legislation. The second option is to allow it to terminate and start again with new legislation. It seems that the legislature will most likely repeal the sunset clause and continue with the current program. Many individuals are waiting to see if/how health care reform will affect the Ryan White Program.

As of October 1st, the City of Tampa will be administering federal stimulus funding for housing for Hillsborough County residents. Pinellas Social Services and Project Hope will administer funds in Pinellas county.

The Grantee's office will host a network provider meeting on Friday, October 2nd at the Children's Board. Topics will include changes in the Ryan White Information System and the impact on the fiscal process as well as the annual provider recognition awards.

The client level data initiative went into effect for calendar year 2009. Hillsborough County recently tested a data set from RWIS (Ryan White Information System). It was successfully transmitted and validated by HRSA so we are fully compliant with the requirement. There is no personal health information to identify individuals within this data set.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Client Services – Denis Hayes, Co-Chair

Denis shared that the committee had heard concerns from clients regarding dental services in Pinellas County, but the Grantee's office is already working to rectify the issue. The committee also discussed peer support programs and completed the newly diagnosed brochure. The brochure can be adapted to meet the needs of specific counties. The committee is also circulating a motion to the other client-based committees suggesting a change to the minimum standards of care for case management regarding number of contact attempts for eligibility appointments or if a client has fallen out of care.

B. Health Services Advisory Committee (HSAC) – Brent Laartz, Co-Chair

The committee discussed concerns regarding the receipt of error-free data reports from their quality monitoring.

C. Membership – Bob Reynolds, Chair

The committee hosted an orientation for new members and reminded them that the first committee meeting they attend after becoming a voting Care Council member allows them to become a voting member of that committee. Otherwise, they must wait until the third committee meeting to attain voting status. Care Council meeting attendance is closely monitored. Please notify the Chair or staff if you are unable to attend a

meeting.

The committee presented two new voting members for the 2009-2012 term. The Care Council still needs a representative from Manatee County and minority members from Hillsborough. The following motion passed (M: Clemmons, S: Amidei) with 23 yes votes and 0 no votes:

THAT THE COUNCIL ACCEPTS THE NOMINATION OF BILL QUERCIA AS A VOTING MEMBER REPRESENTING HIGHLANDS COUNTY (2009-2012) AND TYRONE STAMPS AS A VOTING MEMBER REPRESENTING HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY (2009-2012). THE COUNCIL WILL FORWARD THE NOMINATIONS TO HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR FINAL APPROVAL.

The membership committee presented a bylaw revision at the June meeting for review. The following motion passed (M: King, S: Laartz) with 23 yes votes and 0 no votes:

APPROVE THE PROPOSED BYLAW REVISION REGARDING CONFLICT OF INTEREST.

D. Minority Advocacy Committee (MAC) – Laura Dunn, Co-Chair

The committee created a survey for Minority AIDS Initiative clients to determine their understanding of the disease and to determine if they are aware of others to be brought into care. Data is currently being collected.

E. Planning and Evaluation (P&E) – Marty Clemmons, Co-Chair

The committee heard a presentation by the Insurance Services provider regarding the increased demand for this service and how those needs are being addressed. The provider is making adjustments to assist as many clients as possible.

The committee approved some additional language to the service caps/limits. The following motion passed (M: Amidei, S: Bundrock) with 19 yes votes, 1 no vote and 3 abstentions (D'Agostino, Pandya, Pierre):

THAT THE CARE COUNCIL APPROVE THE ADDITIONS TO THE SERVICE CAPS/LIMITS DOCUMENT

The committee also determined minimum standards of care for peer support services to use as guidelines if funding is available to support these services in the future. The following motion passed (M: Melartin, S: King) with 20 yes votes, 1 no vote and 2 abstentions (Davis, Pandya):

THAT THE CARE COUNCIL APPROVE THE MINIMUM STANDARDS OF CARE FOR PEER SUPPORT SERVICES

The committee heard a presentation of data from RNT and Associates on the recent quality management data collection and the customer satisfaction survey.

F. Resource Prioritization and Allocation Recommendations Committee (RPARC) – Marty Clemmons, Co-Chair

The committee reviewed expenditure reports for the '08-'09 program year. Tom Liberti, HIV/AIDS Bureau Chief attended a meeting to discuss the impact of budget cuts to the Ryan White program. The committee also reviewed allocations for the MAI (Minority AIDS Initiative) funding for the '09-'10 fiscal year to present to the Care Council. These amounts presented are restating the funding amounts from the previous year with no changes.

The following motion passed (M: Melartin, S: Davis) with 20 yes votes, 0 no vote and 3 abstentions(Fernald, Freeman, Pandya):

THAT THE CARE COUNCIL ADOPT THE FY 2009/10 MAI ALLOCATIONS AS FOLLOWS:

MAI ALLOCATION RECOMMENDATIONS		
Service	County	Recommended Funding
Substance Abuse Treatment	Hillsborough	\$58,765
Substance Abuse Treatment	Pinellas	\$39,177
	Total	\$97,942
Treatment Adherence	Pinellas	\$168,366
Treatment Adherence	Hillsborough	\$139,490
Treatment Adherence	Pasco/Hernando	\$96,006
	Total	\$403,862
	Total:	\$501,804

G. Rural Issues – Linnwood Davis, Chair

The committee met in Tampa at Francis House presenting an overview of the committee and what it does to promote interest. The members worked on plans for their Thanksgiving dinner and a World AIDS Day event.

H. Standards, Issues and Operations (SIOC) – Janet kitchen, Chair

The committee did not meet.

I. Women, Infants, Children, Youth and Families (WICY&F) – Darlene Smith, Member

The committee is planning an event for November in Tampa and would like more interagency cooperation in planning their events.

**PUBLIC
POLICY
REPORT &
COMMUNITY
CONCERNS**

The Florida HIV/AIDS Advocacy Network is now hosting teleconferences for individuals to call in and discuss issues.

The Florida Department of Health Bureau of HIV/AIDS released a mobilization report *Man Up: The Crisis of HIV/AIDS Among Florida's Men*. The report is available on the Bureau website.

The Viral Hepatitis Council met recently and discussed needle exchange. There is a 'Hope for Hep' event on October 2nd in Orlando. The chance Center holds monthly meetings in Hillsborough and Pinellas Counties.

**ANNOUNCE-
MENTS**

Members announced upcoming community events.

There will be a leadership training on Tuesday, October 13 from noon until 4:30 at the Children's Board. Committee chairs, co-chairs and other interested individuals are encouraged to attend.

The Grantee's office is working with local health departments in hopes that H1N1 'swine' flu vaccines will be made available to front-line staff in all eight counties.

West Coast AIDS Foundation is hosting a fundraiser on Saturday, October 17th at Innisbrook.

World AIDS Day will be Tuesday, December 1.

ADJOURNMENT There being no further business to come before the Care Council, the meeting was adjourned at 3:28 p.m.

Note: A tape recording of the meeting is available for review at The Health Councils.

ATTENDANCE LIST

September 2, 2009

Care Council Members**Present**

Michael Amidei	X
Gene Bundrock	X
Martin Clemmons	X
Vincent D'Agostino	X
Linnwood Davis	X
Laura Dunn	X
Wayne Fernald	X
Tonica Freeman	X
Jean Getchell	
Lois Hall	X
David Hasiba	Ex
Denis Hayes	X
Laureen Husband	A (Brenda Davis)
Natalie Jackson	
James King	X
Janet Kitchen	X
David Konnerth	X
Brent Laartz	X
Marshall Lee	X
Andrew Maldonado	A (Jim Roth)
Randy Masters	X
John Melartin	X
Crisaida Mendez	
Don Metzgar	X
Anil Pandya	A (Sadiya Sassine)
Guttenberg Pierre, Jr.	X
Donnette Waul-Santiago	X
JaDawn Wright	

Associate Members

Barbara Szelag	
Bill Thomas	X
Tom Wood	X

Grantee Staff

Aubrey Arnold	X
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Health Councils Staff

Nicole Brown	X
Collette Tomberlin	X