

**RYAN WHITE CARE COUNCIL
HEALTH SERVICES COMMITTEE
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2005
2:00 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER	The meeting was called to order by co-Chair Don Kurtyka at 2:00 p.m.
ATTENDANCE	<p><u>Members Present:</u> Jimmy Baumgartner, Cindy Brown, Leslie Betts, Wayne Bibeault, Barbra Clark-Alexander, Tish Carlton, Natalie Jackson, Don Kurtyka, Mac McDougale, John Melartin, Jim Roth, Sherry Sullivan</p> <p><u>Members Absent:</u> Larry Goodwin, Craig Kelley, Vicki Kenyon, Roberta Lambert, Rob Loy, Hilda Leon,</p> <p><u>Guests Present:</u> Mark Mischan, Gilda Ramon-Nay-Torres</p> <p><u>Staff Present:</u> Teresa Kelly</p>
CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO AGENDA	Don added room assignments for 2005-06 and Medicare Part D to the agenda following minimum standards review.
ADOPTION OF MINUTES	The minutes from the meeting July 21, 2005 were approved.
CARE COUNCIL REPORT	Two new members were appointed to the Care Council, and extensive discussion on housing and transportation issues were held.
ELECTIONS	Don Kurtyka was named Chair and Jim Roth was named co-Chair.
MEETING DATE/ TIME/ LOCATION	The committee decided to continue meeting at the same date (3 rd Thursday of the month) time (2:00 to 3:30) and location- Hillsborough County Health Department. Don will book the room for the committee to continue meeting. The committee also discussed if monthly meetings would be necessary. It was felt that with Medicare Part D and Medicaid changes there would be sufficient work for the committee to meet monthly. Meetings will be cancelled if no issues are identified.
NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS MINIMUM STANDARDS	One of the providers of nutritional supplements has approached RPARC about the limitations of the Body Mass Index criteria impeding the ability to spend down funds. The committee reviewed that the current criteria was the same as Medicaid and that consistency was the purpose of adopting

<p>DRUG REIMBURSEMENT</p>	<p>that criteria. Leslie asked that BMI be placed on all scripts regardless of payer source, and that due to the National Drug Code inventory numbers, separate scripts are required for different flavors, or provider needs to note which flavor(s) are to be filled. There was discussion about whether Medicare would now be covering supplements instead of Medicaid. Don indicated that he thought that Medicare excluded supplements, and he was not sure if Medicaid was going to continue to provide supplements. Topic will be discussed again at the October meeting. The committee asked that the Grantee e-mail the nutritional supplement policy to providers so that they knew all of the requirements.</p> <p>The citation in standard #2 “The American Society of Hospital Pharmacists” is in error. The Grantee’s office has been unable to identify this particular group. Discussion was held about standards of pharmacy operations. Leslie Betts will research Florida statute and recommend an alternative wording for the October meeting..</p>
<p>MEDICARE PART D</p>	<p>Don read an e-mail from Vicki Kenyon that indicated the the AICP wait list was at 80, which was fewer than in previous years, however with enrollment being limited to 10 per month (as opposed to 20 to 30 previously) wait list will take longer to clear.</p> <p>It was still unclear if ADAP or Ryan White will count toward to TROOP portion of costs for individuals receiving Medicare D benefits.</p>
<p>WORK PLAN</p>	<p>The committee work plan will be adopted at the October meeting. There was discussion about HIV and aging populations. Mark shared information on the VACS 5 study being conducted by the VA which compares 50+ HIV+ individuals with 50+ non-infected people.</p> <p>Barbara Clark-Alexander will talk to AETC to find out what type of physician education is happening locally related to older patients with HIV.</p> <p>There is a model program for treating HIV in 50 years and over being piloted in Broward County.</p> <p>Don will contact the Grantee to see the numbers of people being served by county that are over 50. Staff will bring EPI data on this population.</p>

ANNOUNCEMENTS	The committee members made various announcements
ADJOURNMENT	<p>There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.</p> <p>The next meeting is scheduled to be held on October 20, 2005 from 2-3:30 PM at the Hillsborough County Health Department, conference room 200, second floor.</p>