

**RYAN WHITE CARE COUNCIL  
MINORITY ADVOCAY COMMITTEE  
SPRING OAKS – TAMPA  
FRIDAY, May 12, 2006  
11:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**      The meeting was called to order by Georgette King, Chair, at 11:25 a.m.

**ATTENDANCE**      Members Present: Mary Adams, Edith Ellerson, Georgette King, Debbie Langhorne, John Melartin  
Members Absent: Vivian Candelaria, Carla Foster, Natalie Jackson, Mellita Mills Kendrick, Janet Kitchen, Kyle Lidge, Andrew Maldonado, Marilyn Merida, Bob Reynolds, Diondria Riley, Betty Sharp, Paul Watkins  
Guests Present: Mark Mischan, Gilda Roman-Nay-Torres  
Staff Present: Collette Tomberlin

**CHANGES TO AGENDA**      There were no changes made to the agenda.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**      Because this meeting did not achieve quorum, the minutes for April 7, 2006 were adopted via e-mail vote.

**CARE COUNCIL REPORT**      Carla Foster faxed the Care Council report to the committee Chair, but Mark Mischan was asked to make the report since he was present. Mark stated that the Care Council adopted minutes from the March and April meetings, adopted the Needs Assessment: Executive Summary, and elected Bill Thomas as the Care Council representative to the Tampa HIV/AIDS Housing Consortium. Six volunteers signed up to serve on an ad hoc website review panel. Each committee made its monthly report and public policy issues were addressed. The Care Council agreed to invite Political Action Leaders to the September meeting.  
Mention was made about an announcement at Care Council about the addition of Oral Health Care to the list of core services. Due to concerns expressed about the priority ranking of this service a lengthy discussion of the needs evaluation process ensued. Committee members voiced ongoing concern about problems including a lack of cultural awareness that the committee has noted in the needs assessment process. Collette stated that the needs assessment process was being revamped and that all committees would be asked to participate in that process. She agreed to keep the committee

informed about activities related to that review.

**MAI LOGIC MODEL** The MAI Logic Model was discussed. Committee members stated that the committee's contribution to the review of the needs assessment process fit into several of the logic model steps and should be considered part of the logic model building process. It was also agreed that another chief concern was that there is currently no funding being sought through the application and grant writing process to support outreach to MAI eligible individuals who are not currently linked to care. Georgette will ask the Grantee's office for a copy of the MAI portion of the most recently submitted application and a copy of the feedback to that application so the committee can provide input. Committee members will collect relevant data and will work with the Grantee's office and grant writer during the upcoming re-application process so funding can be requested for this critical service; committee recommendations will also be shared with the provider who will be working on the comprehensive plan.

**ATTENDANCE POLICY** The committee has been operating with an unwritten, but agreed upon policy. The Chair requested a copy of RPARC's attendance policy to incorporate language into a draft for MAC.

**C2PTB COALITION RECOMMENDATIONS/RANKING REQUEST** Members were asked to voluntarily fill out a brief questionnaire and return it to Georgette to assist the multi-agency C2PTB Coalition that focuses on HIV prevention for black girls and young women in central Tampa. Several MAC members are participants in that collaboration; several non-coalition members agreed to assist by completing the survey.

**COMMUNITY CONCERNS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** There were no community concerns.

Members announced upcoming events.

**ADJOURNMENT** There being no other business to come to the Committee, meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

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