

**RESOURCE PRIORITIZATION AND ALLOCATION RECOMMENDATIONS
HOSPICE, ST. PETERSBURG
THURSDAY, AUGUST 9, 2007
12:30 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.**

MINUTES

**CALL TO
ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Dave Konnerth, Chair at 12:35 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Marty Clemmons, Lisa Cohen, Carla Baity, William Harper, Dave Konnerth, Lorraine Langlois, Jeannie Lewis, Suzanne Lewis, Lee Luther, John Melartin, Patrick Mercier, Andrew Paquette, Bob Reynolds, Jim Roth, Woody Wilbanks

Members Absent: Marilyn Merida, Elizabeth Rugg

Guests Present: Ramon Benitez, Ginny Boucher, Larry Goodwin, Suzanne Matthews, Bill Thomas

Grantee Staff Present: Aubrey Arnold, Wilma Genter, Deborah Thomas

Health Councils Staff Present: Collette Tomberlin

**CHANGES TO
AGENDA**

Members agreed by consensus to remove the Care Council report since there was no meeting held and add FY 08-09 Allocation Recommendations.

**ADOPTION OF
MINUTES**

The minutes for July 12 were approved unanimously.

**FY 07-08
REALLOCATIONS**

Aubrey announced receipt of the MAI (Minority AIDS Initiative) Notice of Grant Award in the amount of \$525,592. This award is guaranteed for three years with no reapplication or competitive bidding, but represents a seven percent decrease from FY06 resulting in no expansion of services. However, current MAI services will be able to continue, but this limited award will have a dramatic impact on Part A funding for the upcoming year. Although our application scored quite well at 94, there are simply not enough funds to maintain level funding with the growing number of areas in need.

Since Part A funding fell short and our area had hoped to make up the difference with MAI dollars which did not come through in the amount desired, the committee must balance the budget given the funds currently allocated. The decision passed in June by this committee removed \$240,000 from Primary Care contingent upon receiving MAI funds to allocate to this service. The committee must find a way to fully fund primary care. After some discussion, the following motion passed

(M: Harper, S: Langlois) with 14 yes votes, 0 no votes and 1 abstention (J. Lewis):

**MOTION
8/07-01**

**ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING FY 2007-08 Part A AND B
REALLOCATION RECOMMENDATIONS**

PART A REALLOCATIONS				
Service	County	Contract Amount	Decrease	Revised Cont. Amt
Outpatient/Ambulatory	Hillsborough	831,989	-22,000	809,989
Outpatient/Ambulatory (TB)	Pinellas	51,205	-22,000	29,205
Outpatient/Ambulatory	Hernando	93,475	-10,000	83,475
Medical Case Management	Hillsborough	184,731	-15,000	169,731
Oral Health	Pinellas	168,850	-25,000	143,850
Medical Transportation	Hillsborough	55,000	-5,000	50,000
Medical Transportation	Pasco/Hernando	55,000	-10,000	45,000
Housing Services	Pinellas	142,425	-15,000	127,425
Housing Services	Pasco/Hernando	20,000	-3,800	16,200
Housing Services	Hillsborough	84,975	-10,000	74,975
Food Bank/Nutritionals	Hillsborough	22,000	-1,500	20,500
Substance Abuse	Hillsborough	150,000	-9,000	141,000
Legal Services	EMA	90,870	-5,000	85,870
Rehabilitation Services	EMA	30,000	-3,088	26,912
Care Council Support	EMA	147,150	-5,000	142,150
Carry Over General	EMA	33,612	-33,612	0
Carry Over MAI	EMA	45,000	-45,000	0
			-240,000	

Service	County	Contract Amount	Increase	Revised Cont. Amt
Outpatient/Ambulatory	Hillsborough	589,190	120,000	709,190
Outpatient/Ambulatory	Pinellas	523,337	120,000	643,337
			240,000	

PART B REALLOCATIONS				
Service	County	Contract Amount	Decrease	Revised Cont. Amt
Medical Case Management	Manatee	110,264	-20,000	90,264
			-20,000	

Service	County	Contract Amount	Increase	Revised Cont. Amt
Outpatient/Ambulatory	Polk	35,000	17,000	52,000
Outpatient/Ambulatory	Highlands	9,000	3,000	12,000
			20,000	

Several members expressed their gratitude to the Grantee's office for all the hard work they consistently put forth to generate reports and recommendations for the committee to use in their decision making.

**FY 08-09
ALLOCATIONS**

The Grantee's office presented allocation recommendations for the upcoming year along with rationale for each recommendation. Members raised several issues on which they would like to seek further clarification. The Grantee's office agreed to provide a copy of the implementation plan which shows the number of clients served and units of service by service category as a resource to the committee in their decision making. Dave reminded members that the Grantee only provides suggestions and it is up to the committee to determine the actual recommendations that are forwarded to the Care Council. Members will bring other ideas and be prepared to make a final decision at the meeting in September. Members were reminded to consider service priorities set by the Care Council, HRSA core services, other sources of funding for each service, other community resources, and ways to adapt programs to work with less funding available.

**COMMUNITY
CONCERNS/
ANNOUNCE-
MENTS**

No community concerns were presented.

Staff announced several reminders for the September committee meeting including the update of the committee work plan, selection of meeting day/time/location, election of chair and co-chair. Collette announced a planned training for chair/co-chair and that staff will be moving to a new location and will send an announcement of their new address and phone number.

John announced that Congresswoman Cathy Castor will hold one-on-one meetings regarding assistance programs and benefits. Meetings are scheduled in Tampa and St. Petersburg.

Suzanne Lewis brought flyers for the Florida KidCare program and asked members to help distribute to those who may need insurance for children 18 or younger.

William Harper announced ASAP's (AIDS Service Association of Pinellas) appreciation for the food pantry donation from the Clearwater Bears Club.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.