



**RESOURCE PRIORITIZATION AND ALLOCATION RECOMMENDATIONS
PARK STATION, PINELLAS PARK
THURSDAY, MARCH 13, 2008
12:30 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

- CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order by David Konnerth, Chair at 12:35 p.m.
- ATTENDANCE** Members Present: Carla Baity, Ginny Boucher, Marty Clemmons, Lisa Cohen, William Harper, Dave Konnerth, Lorraine Langlois, Suzanne Lewis, John Melartin, Patrick Mercier, Andrew Paquette, William Perry, Bob Reynolds, Elizabeth Rugg
- Members Absent: David Hasiba, Lee Luther, Marilyn Merida, Jim Roth, Woody Wilbanks
- Guests Present: Jana Balicki
- Grantee Staff Present: Aubrey Arnold, Dorinda Seth, Wilma Genter
- Health Councils Staff Present: Collette Tomberlin
- CHANGES TO AGENDA** There were no changes to the agenda.
- ADOPTION OF MINUTES** The minutes for January 10 were approved (M; Clemmons, S: Baity) with unanimously.
- CARE COUNCIL REPORT** Dave Konnerth shared information from the Care Council meeting in March. The grantee announced that our EMA (Eligible Metropolitan Area) received a 3.6% increase in Part A funds for the 08-09 grant year. We also received a \$12,000 increase in our MAI (Minority AIDS Initiative) award. The Grantee's office is now overseeing a pilot program of disbursing leftover HOPWA (Housing Opportunities for People With AIDS) funds that were unspent in another area of the state and has completed refresher training for providers on the Ryan White Information System (RWIS). The Care Council elected a new voting member and heard reports from each committee.
- PART A FUNDING INCREASE** Aubrey explained the process and timeline for the allocation of new funding which must be procured through the competitive bid process. All core service providers within the EMA were asked to submit a request for additional funding so that the money could be used to work on service gaps in core services. The Grantee's office presented a spreadsheet of those requests and their recommended funding. All contracted providers requesting additional funds have spent their '07-'08 allocations and have

months of uncompensated Ryan White reimbursements or are on track to spend their entire allocation.

Members discussed many of the services and the need for additional funding for those service categories. The following motion passed (M: Perry, S: Reynolds) unanimously:

ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS AND FORWARD TO CARE COUNCIL REQUESTING A BUSINESS MEETING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO EXPEDITE THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS

PART A ALLOCATION RECOMMENDATIONS		
Service	County	Recommended Funding
Outpatient/Ambulatory (Pediatrics)	Hillsborough	20,320
Outpatient/Ambulatory (Pediatrics)	Pinellas	8,500
Outpatient/Ambulatory	Pasco	12,000
Medical Case Management	Pinellas	48,074
Oral Health	Hillsborough	40,000
Health Insurance	EMA	52,500
Mental Health	Hillsborough	25,000
Mental Health	Pinellas	25,000
Total:		\$231,394

COMMUNITY CONCERNS/ ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members announced upcoming community events including local support groups and the upcoming All Titles conference in Orlando.

Bob shared a concern that the Professional Institute of Cosmetology is sharing outdated and inaccurate information regarding HIV with individuals seeking continuing education credits in that profession.

William shared information from a recent report showing a 75% increase in the syphilis rate in the US. He stated that we need to increase awareness of and education about all STDs since there is a direct connection between the risky behaviors for STDs and HIV.

The April RPARC meeting will be held back at the Hospice and the Grantee's office will have the final FY07 expenditure reports and recommendations for MAI funding.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.