



**RYAN WHITE CARE COUNCIL
RURAL ISSUES COMMITTEE
POLK COUNTY SPECIALTY CLINIC – BARTOW
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2007
1:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

- CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order by Linnwood Davis, Co-Chair, at 1:25 p.m.
- ATTENDANCE** Members Present: Ovidiu Cotea, Linnwood Davis, John Halman, King James, Linda Rogers
- Members Absent: James Brandon, Ismael Colon, Brenda Davis, Ellen Gates, Donald Hinton, David Housier, Angela Kendall, John Melartin, Jan Neeson, Gail Prichard, Deborah Reinhardt, Deborah Robinson,
- Guests Present:
- Grantee Staff Present: Wilma Genter
- Health Councils Staff Present: Nicole Brown
- CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO AGENDA** No changes were made to the agenda.
- ADOPTION OF MINUTES** There was no vote to adopt the minutes for December due to lack of quorum.
- CARE COUNCIL REPORT** At the January Care Council meeting funding reallocations were approved along with the Assessment of the Administrative Mechanism. There was also a motion passed requiring that acronyms always be written out the first time used in a document.
- PROVIDER PRESENTATION** John Halman of PharmacyOnePro gave a presentation on the services his organization offers and the benefits to the client. He said that his pharmacy cares about their clients and offers free delivery, refill reminders, free vitamins and accepts most medical insurance plans.

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no other committee reports given.

NEW BUSINESS

Linnwood Davis shared that he has contacted Habitat for Humanity by phone but has not received any response. Ovidiu Cotea suggested that Linnwood send a formal invitation through the mail for them to do a presentation.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ovidiu said that February is National Black HIV Awareness month. On February 12th at 7:30pm there is going to be a town hall meeting held at Hurst Chapel AME church to raise awareness about the increased numbers of HIV/AIDS.

Linnwood shared that there is a client support group that meets the first Tuesday and the third Wednesday of the month at the Polk County Specialty Clinic at 2:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come to the Committee, meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

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