

**RYAN WHITE CARE COUNCIL
MINORITY ADVOCACY COMMITTEE
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2005
11:00 A.M. -1:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 11:10 a.m. by the Chair, Georgette King.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Mary Adams, Edith Ellerson, Georgette King, Debbie Langhorne, Kyle Lidge, Mac McDougale, Mellita Mills-Kendrick, Diondria Riley, Pat Riley, Gregory Ruffin, David Stubbs, Robert Tate, Paul Watkins

Members Absent: Candi Clark, Gayla Cox, Mary Francis Jones, Janet Kitchen, John Melartin, Marilyn Merida, Lisa Sampson

Guests Present: Vivian Caldelaria, Von Dowling, Carla Foster, Michael Fraschetta, Natalie Jackson, Vincent Lisbon, Andrew Maldonado, Remaldine Montero, Dixie Morgese, Gilda Roman-Nay-Torres

Staff Present: Susan Josephson and Teresa Kelly

CHANGES TO AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

There were three corrections to the minutes including one spelling error, the date of the meeting, and the date of a World AIDS Day event.

The minutes were adopted as revised.

CARE COUNCIL REPORT

The Co-Chair reported on the Care Council meeting. There were discussion at Care Council about the needs of individuals newly diagnosed and RPARC recommendation of the reallocations of Title II funds. The Grantee Assessment was adopted.

OLD BUSINESS

Revised committee descriptions have been completed and were distributed for feedback.

David reported that the survey re meeting times will be distributed at a dinner on 11/16/05 and results will be available at the December MAC meeting.

Committee members suggested having a “welcome back” meeting to re-involve former members or members who have not attended lately. Mellita also agreed to provide the new member training again (hopefully with the assistance of Marilyn) in February or April. Additional members can also be trained to provide this program.

MAI CAPACITY BLDG

RNT and Associates provided an update on the MAI Capacity Building project. They described the Care RARE process for quick assessments. They divided the committee into small groups to provide suggestions for three initial activities, as part of the Care RARE methodology. The activities include an observation of environments at service providers, questions for Cultural Experts identified by the group, and questions for consumers. MAC will continue to work on this project at the December meeting on 12/2/05.

WORLD AIDS DAY

Announcements of three events in Hillsborough County, and one event in Pinellas County were made. St. Joseph’s/Tampa Care will have training for nurses on December 1, 2005. The Red Ribbon ball will be on the evening of December 3rd in Tampa. A prayer breakfast hosted by the Pinellas AIDS partnership will be at 7:30 a.m. on December 1st at the Greek Orthodox Church in Clearwater.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on December 2, 2005 at 11:00 a.m. at Spring Oaks in Tampa. Date change is due to a Quality Management schedule conflict on 12/9/05.

ADJOURNMENT

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