

Planning Council



Jared Vega, Chair

Thursday, September 30, 2010
5:00 pm to 6:30 pm
Area Agency on Aging/Care Directions
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Meeting Minutes

In Attendance

Committee Members *AT: Attended AB: Absent EX: Excused ALT: Alternate Present LOA: Leave of Absence*

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| EX | Andrew Chevvollier | EX | Barr Jenkins | AT | Bonnie Ott | AT | Carol Williams |
| AT | Cheri Tomlinson | AT | Claire Sinay | EX | Dan Lindell | | |
| AT | Daniel Ruacho | AT | David Aguirre | AT | Debby Elliott <i>alt: Philip Seeger</i> | AT | Deborah Frusciano <i>alt: Kimberley Bickes</i> |
| LOA | Dennis Vanegas | AT | Don Welsh | AT | Eric Moore | AT | Jared Vega |
| AT | Jennifer Lewis | EX | Jonathan Harris | AT | Juan Carlos Perez | AT | Keith Thompson |
| AT | Lucio Amado | AT | Maclovia Morales | EX | Mary Rose Wilcox <i>alt: Mark Kezios</i> | AT | MiAsia Pasha |
| EX | Miguel Garruna | AT | Randall Furrow | EX | Richard Burrell | AT | Robert Solis |
| EX | Ron Hill | | | | | | |

Guests

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| Tory Stanley | Abdul Hasan | Boni Lowney | Robert Bailey |
| Yvette Madero | Marge Samson | Judy White | |

Administrative Agent Staff

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| AT | Rose Conner | AT | Kenneth Leighton-Boster | Carmen Batista | AT | Deanna Feintuch |
| | Dyle Sanderson | AT | Edd Welsh | Georgina Lowe | AT | Jennifer Hawkins |
| | Otis Evans | AT | Victoria Jaquez | | | |

Support Staff: John Sapero

MEETING MINUTES *continued*

Welcome, introductions and declarations of any conflicts-of-interest

Planning Council Chair Jared Vega called the meeting to order and welcomed the attendees. Everyone introduced him/her self and declared any conflicts-of-interest.

Determination of Quorum

Jared Vega determined that quorum was established with 16 of 28 members in attendance at 5:05 pm.

Review of the Minutes and Action Items From the Prior Meeting

Participants silently reviewed the summary minutes from the September 9th, 2010 meetings. Deborah Frusciano asked that a sentence be revised for better clarity.

MOTION: Eric Moore moved to approve the minutes as amended. MiAsia Pasha seconded.

DISCUSSION: None.

OUTCOME: The motion passed.

Administrative Agent Update

Please see the attached report presented by the Administrative Agent.

Rose Conner discussed that the AA's office is preparing the Part A grant application for GY 2011. Rose provided an overview of the section related to Early Identification of Individuals with HIV/AIDS (EIIHA). The strategies that will be discussed later in the agenda were developed in collaboration with all the Ryan White Parts and community stakeholders.

Additionally, funding allocated during the GY 2011 PSRA sessions for Part B ADAP services needs to be reevaluated, as HRSA will not allow the funding from the Part A 2011 grant to be used during the Part B 2010 grant year.

Rose thanked Carmen Batista for developing the EIIHA strategy.

Chair Update

Jared discussed that Larry Stähli, a Planning Council member, had passed away earlier in the week. Jared provided comments on Larry's activities in the HIV community.

MEETING MINUTES *continued*

Revisions to GY 2011 Allocations

Jared Vega provided an overview of the revisions developed during a series of meetings hosted by the CHPS Committee (please see the attached Proposed changes to PSRA Allocations Plan document). Rose Conner provided additional detail regarding the Plan.

Rob Bailey discussed trends in ADAP spending, including that utilization had dropped. He related that it was difficult to recommend an amount to recommend to allocate to Pharmaceuticals Assistance – Part B for GY2011.

There was discussion regarding to how utilization was affecting budget projections, and possible reasons ADAP enrollment had decreased.

Rob discussed that ADAP was expecting to transition clients to high risk insurance pools on January 1, 2011. ADAP would pay deductibles, premiums and copay assistance for pharmaceuticals. Part A would be responsible for deductibles and copay assistance for medical care for Part A clients.

Rob related that transition plans are under development. Cheri Tomlinson asked if these plans could be shared within two weeks. Rob replied that it would take more time to finalize the plan. Cheri asked that this happen as quickly as possible so stakeholders could develop plans.

Rose Conner related that the Part A program was not aware of the intention for Part A to pay deductibles, premiums and copay assistance. She related an analysis of these costs would need to occur. Additionally, the Planning Council did not plan for these costs during PSRA.

Cheri Tomlinson asked what the timeline for enrollment would be for clients to transition to the high risk pool. Rob Bailey replied the initial applications would need to be processed in December to be enrolled by January 1, 2011.

There was discussion regarding how clients will be affected by the transition to the high risk pool.

Eric Moore expressed concern regarding the timeline for implementation of this initiative.

Jared Vega asked for a funding recommendation for Part A ADAP assistance. Rob related he could not provide an accurate recommendation.

Rose Conner related that if Part A was going to cover costs associated with the risk pool, such as copay assistance, the Health Insurance Premium/Cost Sharing Assistance service category would need increased funding.

Potential funding strategies to address EIIHA and ADAP issues, and HRSA requirements for reallocating were discussed.

MOTION: Keith Thompson moved to reallocate PSRA funding for GY 2011, as follows:

- Total grant request to remain the same

MEETING MINUTES *continued*

- Reduce funding of the Pharmaceutical Assistance – Part B service category to \$400,000, from \$700,000
- Reallocate \$170,000 to Health Insurance Premium/Cost Sharing Assistance
- Reallocate \$60,644 from Part A Outreach Services to Early Intervention Services
- Reallocate \$90,996 from MAI Outreach Services to Early Intervention Services
- Reallocate \$200,000 from Pharmaceutical Assistance – Part B to Early Intervention Services

Don Welsh seconded.

DISCUSSION: Rose Conner asked how changes in need in the next grant year could be addressed. John Sapero discussed that these allocations could be reviewed at the beginning of GY 2011.

Jennifer Lewis encouraged funding for EIS services remain strong to support the grant application.

OUTCOME: The motion passed.

Update: Other Ryan White Programs

Part B:

No update was provided

Part C

Eric Moore related that the Part C grant application has been completed.

Part D

Boni Lowney discussed that Part D collaborated with Part A to implement a consumer awareness campaign to educate PLWHA about the importance of having current lab results and maintaining their ADAP eligibility. The materials are ready for distribution.

Current Event Summaries

Jared Vega asked for a round of celebratory applause in honor of Larry Stähli's service in the community.

Jennifer Lewis discussed that Southwest Center for HIV has initiated new programming.

Call to the public

John Sapero discussed that memorial signs for Larry Stähli, to wear during the AIDS Walk, were available.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:24 pm.