

Allocations Committee



Randall Furrow, Chair

Wednesday, March 5, 2014
5:00 pm to 6:30 pm
Public Health
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Meeting Minutes

Attendance

Committee Members *AT: Attended AB: Absent EX: Excused ALT: Alternate Present*

AT	Andrea Norman	AT	Cheri Tomlinson	AB	Cynthia Trottier	ALT	Philip Seeger for Debby Elliott
AT	Robert Solis	EX	Maclovia Morales	EX	Mary Rose Wilcox	AT	Randall Furrow

Guests

Edward Tisdale

Administrative Agent Staff

Rose Conner Georgina Lowe Ken Leighton-Boster

Support Staff: Claire Tyrpak

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

Randall Furrow called the meeting to order and welcomed the attendees. Everyone introduced him/herself and declared any conflicts-of-interest.

Determination of quorum

Randall Furrow determined that quorum was established with five of eight members present at approximately 5:15 pm.

Funding is provided by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act of 2009 and the Maricopa County Department of Public Health.

Copies of the documents provided to the participants of this meeting may be requested from Planning Council Support.

MEETING MINUTES *continued*

Review of minutes and action items

Participants silently reviewed the summary minutes for the previous meeting. No comments were voiced.

Committee Chair Update

No update was provided.

Administrative Agent update

Rose Conner discussed grant close out and that no action was required. Rose then discussed GY14 opening and the March allocations report.

- The EMA has received a partial Notice of Award for 2014 in the amount of \$2,301,304. This amount includes \$2,175,940 for Part A funds, and \$125,364 for MAI funds. The EMA will conduct a data session during the March Planning Council meeting on March 13 Planning Council meeting, and a PSRA session during the April 10 Planning Council meeting. Providers have submitted estimated allocation needs to the AA that anticipate the changes in allocations needed due to the ACA enrollment changes.
 1. Primary Medical Care, Mental Health and Substance Abuse allocation needs will be decreased due to the ACA changes.
 2. A new category for Health Insurance Premium and Cost Sharing will need to be funded to assist clients with medical copays and deductibles. Health Insurance Premium Assistance will be decreased due to most COBRA clients moving to ACA coverage.
 3. Case Management Services will need additional funding to provide adequate funds to support 4.5 additional case managers that are needed to provide services in the following areas:
 - 1.5 medical case managers will be needed to absorb clients that were previously medically case managed with funds from HUD-these funds will no longer be available after March 31.
 - 2 non-medical case managers will be needed to coordinate the benefits of clients requesting co-pay and deductible assistance.
 - The EMA has contracted with an additional agency to provide medical and non-medical case management services. This contractor will need 1 FTE that will provide case management services after approximately 1 month of capacity building preparation. It is expected that this new case management agency will accept newly diagnosed clients and also accept transfers from other case management agencies, and this is expected to decrease some of the case loads that have exceeded recommended numbers due to the increase in new clients enrolled in case management this year.
 4. Medical Nutrition needs exceeded the allocated funds in 2013, and the AA will discuss these needs during the data session.

MEETING MINUTES *continued*

Recommendations

The AA is issuing task orders for providers for partial awards for March-May at funding that is level to the 2013 allocations with the following recommended changes:

1. Decrease Outpatient Ambulatory Medical Care partial allocation by \$85,000
2. Increase Medical Case Management partial allocation by \$46,875
3. Increase Non-Medical Case Management partial allocation by \$38,125.
4. Approve \$6,250 of these case management funds to be used as capacity building by the EMA's new Case Management Agency to begin services May 1.

MOTION: Andrea Kamenca moved to accept the AA recommendations as presented. Robert Solis seconded.

DISCUSSION: None.

OUTCOME: The motion passed.

Current event summaries

No comments were voiced.

Call to Public

Bruce Weiss said that there is a bill before the state senate to change HIV consent in Arizona. There will be a community meeting on March 10 at Banner Health. Contact him for details.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:30 pm.