

Community Health Planning & Strategies Committee



Cheri Tomlinson, Vice Chair

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5:00 pm to 6:30 pm

Public Health

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Meeting Minutes

In Attendance

AT	Andrea Norman	AT	Cheri Tomlinson	AT	Cynthia Trottier	EX	Dan Lindell
AT	Debby Elliott	AT	Lucio Amado	EX	Marge Samson	AT	Randall Furrow
AT	Robert Solis						

Part A Program Staff

AT	Rose Conner	AT	Kenneth Leighton-Boster
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Guests

Chavon Boston Maclovia Morales Edward Ornelas

Support Staff: John Sapero

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

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

Determination of Quorum

Cheri Tomlinson determined that quorum was established with seven of nine members in attendance at approximately 5:32 pm.

Review of the minutes and action items from prior meetings

Participants silently reviewed the summary minutes for the October 3, 2012 meeting. Andrea Norman noted a typographical error on page 2.

Administrative Agent update

Rose Conner discussed:

- RFPs for Medical Transportation Services, Mental Health Services, and Medical Nutrition Therapy are under review
 - RFPs for the remaining service categories will be released in the next grant year
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Chair update

No comments were voiced.

Update: AHCCCS Eligibility Transitions, ADAP Assist

AHCCCS Eligibility Transitions

Rose Conner discussed that in July 2011, there were 1,004 clients in AHCCCS whose primary diagnosis was HIV. On July 1, 2012, there were 499. Dropped clients are most often moving to the Ryan White Part A Program.

ADAP/ADAP Assist

Rose Conner discussed ADAP has 325 RWPA clients enrolled in PCIP. Approximately 89 clients are in the process of being enrolled.

Debby Elliott discussed that there were challenges with clients waiting until the last day to renew their eligibility – this is creating a strain on ADAP staff, and case management agencies, and causing gaps in care. Debby expressed concern that clients do not understand the importance or renewing their

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eligibility in a timely manner, and who will be challenged when they move to Affordable Care Act programs.

Oral Health Services

Cheri Tomlinson discussed that the service delivery guidelines for the Oral Health Program will be reviewed in the next grant year.

Chavon expressed thanks to Dental Dental of Arizona for being supportive of Part A clients and working to provide options to enable clients to remain in oral health care.

Transportation Services

This agenda item was tabled.

Affordable Care Act: Emerging Issues and Transition Planning

Rose Conner discussed that HRSA had expressed an expectation that all Ryan White clients that were eligible to move to Affordable Care Act programs would be transitioned by January 2014. Rose provided an overview of what information would need to be collected, and what education clients would need to receive.

Cheri Tomlinson discussed that if Medicaid was restored, AHCCCS –eligible clients currently on PCIP will be automatically enrolled into AHCCCS care. Cheri also detailed several possible scenarios that would be dependent on how the state of Arizona develops the local health care exchange program. Cheri related that a decision has not been made on whether third-party payers can pay premiums/copays for clients in need of assistance.

Rose Conner discussed that Ryan White clients are going to have to be much more responsible managing their enrollment and healthcare, as clients may not be able to transition back to Ryan White care easily should they lose eligibility for Affordable Care Act programs.

Major Issues to research:

- Open Enrollment
- Impact on Part A budget (premium assistance, copays, etc.)
- Benefit package (no adult dental or medical case management under the exchange)
- Planning for individuals who do not qualify for the exchange or Medicaid
- Communication strategy
- Client education

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The committee discussed other unknowns and challenges. The next CHPS meeting would focus on collecting questions from stakeholders that will need to be answered, and discussing activities/decisions that Part A may need make.

A consensus was reached to establish sub-committees to monitor community planning/transition efforts, etc.

Agenda items for the next meeting

Standard agenda items
Transportation Services

Oral Health Services
Health Care Reform Transition Planning

Current events summaries

Debby Elliott discussed that the Area Agency on Aging would be holding a Medicare benefits workshop..

Call to the public

No comments were voiced.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:30 pm.