

HOUSTON AREA HIV SERVICES RYAN WHITE PLANNING COUNCIL



We envision an educated community where the needs of all persons living with HIV and/or affected individuals are met by accessible, effective, and culturally sensitive health and psychosocial services that are part of a fully coordinated system. The community will continue to intervene responsibly until the end of the epidemic.

The Houston Eligible Metropolitan Area (EMA) Ryan White Planning Council will improve the quality of life and advocate for those living with and/or affected by HIV by taking a leadership role in the planning and assessment of HIV resources.

MINUTES

12 noon, Thursday, September 12, 2019

Meeting Location: Ryan White Offices, 2223 W. Loop South, Rm 532; Houston, Texas 77027

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS PRESENT	OTHERS PRESENT
Bruce Turner, Chair	Pete Rodriguez	Jim Osburn, Theratechnologies
Tana Pradia, Secretary	Imran Shaikh	Nancy Miertschin, Harris Health
Veronica Ardoin	Crystal Starr	Skeet Boyle, Greeter
Tony Crawford	Carol Suazo	
Bobby Cruz	Isis Torrente	
Johnny Deal		
Ronnie Galley	MEMBERS ABSENT	STAFF PRESENT
Gregory Hamilton	Ted Artiaga, excused	<i>Ryan White Grant Administration</i>
Angela F. Hawkins	Rosalind Belcher	Carin Martin
Allison Hesterman	Ahmier Gibson, excused	Heather Keizman
Dawn Jenkins	Arlene Johnson	Samantha Bowen
Daphne L. Jones	J. Hoxi Jones, excused	
Denis Kelly	Mel Joseph, excused	<i>The Resource Group</i>
Peta-gay Ledbetter	Robert Noble	Sha'Terra Johnson-Fairley
Tom Lindstrom	Matilda Padilla, excused	
Holly McLean	John Poole, excused	<i>Office of Support</i>
Rodney Mills	Faye Robinson, excused	Tori Williams
Niquita Moret	Gloria Sierra, excused	Amber Harbolt
Allen Murray		Diane Beck
Shital Patel		

Call to Order: C. Bruce Turner, Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

During the opening remarks, Turner acknowledged the birthdays of Crawford and ~~Kelly~~^{Murray}. He expressed thanks to Tana and Nancy who proofread the FY 2020 Ryan White Part A grant application. For the last two years, Cecilia Oshingbade has worked with committee co-chairs to provide Committee Cross Training which has been valuable to new members and others. He asked Cecilia if she would organize the training again this year, which will begin at 12 noon on Wednesday, September 18th. Soon, the

Office of Support staff will send detailed information about all three of the trainings. In the meantime, please let Tori know if you want to attend the training on September 18th. Turner stated that the visitors from HHS have been delayed due to a logistical issue and will hopefully be able join us next month. Turner then called for a Moment of Reflection.

Adoption of the Agenda: Motion #1: *it was moved and seconded (Kelly, Galley) to adopt the agenda with one change: replace D. Meet and Greet with New Funding Opportunity from C. Martin. Motion Carried.*

Approval of the Minutes: Motion #2: *it was moved and seconded (Torrente, Crawford) to approve the August 8, 2019 minutes. Motion Carried.* Abstentions: Ardoin, Hawkins, McLean, Patel, Rodriguez, Starr, Suazo.

New Funding Opportunity: Carin Martin, Manager, Ryan White Grant Administration, gave an overview of the End the HIV Epidemic Plan for America notice of funding opportunity and how the Houston EMA will use the funds to develop and implement Test and Treat protocols in all of the Ryan White funded primary care clinics. The funds for this particular grant will not be allocated by the Planning Council.

Public Comment and Announcements: None.

Reports from Committees

Comprehensive HIV Planning Committee: Daphne L. Jones, Chair, reported on the following:

FY 2020 EIIHA Target Populations: The EIIHA Workgroup met on July 30, 2019 to select the FY 2020 EIIHA target populations for inclusion in the Ryan White Part A grant application. Please see the attached target populations' criteria worksheet and the target populations' selection matrix. This information was distributed broadly along with instructions on how to submit public comment. On August 8, 2019, the Comprehensive HIV Planning Committee approved the attached motions from the EIIHA Workgroup.

Epidemiological Profile: The Committee reviewed and offered content feedback on drafts of Chapter 3 (Vulnerability to HIV in the Houston Area) and Chapter 4 (HIV Service Utilization in the Houston Area).

Needs Assessment Progress: Harbolt said that as of 09/12/19, 569 surveys have been completed which is 97% of the minimum sample size.

Affected Community Committee: Isis Torrente, Co-Chair, reported on the following:

Training: Standards of Care and Performance Measures: The Committee received a copy of the training on Standards of Care and Performance Measures. Most had been trained previously at the Quality Improvement or another committee meeting.

2019 Workgroup Meetings for FY 2020 Standards of Care and Performance Measures: The 2019 workgroup meetings to provide input into the FY 2020 Standards of Care and Performance Measures are scheduled for the following dates:

- 12 noon, Monday September 23, 2019 – Consumer-Only Workgroup Meeting
- 2 pm, Monday October 7, 2019 – Community Workgroup Meeting

Training: *What is the Difference? Telehealth vs. Telemedicine:* See the attached training materials for *What is the Difference? Telehealth vs. Telemedicine.*

2019 Community Events: See the attached list of 2019 Community Events.

2019 Greeters: See the attached list of 2019 Greeters. Heartfelt thanks go to those who greet our guests as they arrive and help them feel comfortable at our meetings.

Quality Improvement Committee: Denis Kelly, Co-Chair, reported on the following:

Training: *What is the Difference? Telehealth vs. Telemedicine*: The Quality Improvement Committee also received training on *What is the Difference? Telehealth vs. Telemedicine*. **And**, please see the attached memo from Nancy Miertschin at Harris Health System regarding HRSA's Position Statement on Telehealth & Telemedicine as Applied to the Practice of Infectious Disease.

Reports from Administrative Agent – Part A/MAI*: See the attached reports from the Part A/MAI Administrative Agent:

- FY19 Procurement Report – Part A & MAI, dated 08/07/19
- FY19 Service Utilization Report – Part A & MAI, as of 08/07/19

Reports from Administrative Agent – Part B/SS: See the attached reports from the Part B/State Services Administrative Agent:

- FY 2019/20 Procurement Report Part B – dated 07/24/19
- FY 2018/19 Procurement Report DSHS** SS – dated 07/24/19
- FY 2019/20 RW Part B Service Utilization – dated 07/31/19
- FY 2018/19 DSHS Service Utilization – dated 07/31/19
- FY 2018/19 Health Insurance Program Report – dated 07/29/19

Assessment of the Administrative Mechanism – Part A/MAI: **Motion #3**: Approve the attached *FY 2018 Assessment of the Administrative Mechanism for Part A and Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI)*. No corrective action required. **Motion Carried**. Abstentions: Moret, Shaikh, Suazo.

Quarterly Committee Report: See the attached Quarterly Committee Report.

Priority and Allocations Committee: No report.

Operations Committee: Ronnie Galley, Co-Chair, reported on the following:

2020 Council Membership: The Committee interviewed six Council applicants on August 26, 2019 and will interview additional applicants at their September meeting.

Report from Office of Support: Tori Williams, Director, summarized the attached report.

Report from Ryan White Grant Administration: Carin Martin, Manager, summarized the attached report.

Report from The Resource Group: Sha'Terra Johnson-Fairly, Health Planner, summarized the attached report.

Medical Updates: Patel presented the attached information about Opioid misuse.

Ryan White Part C Urban and Part D: Jenkins said that the assister certification training for the Affordable Care Act is starting again. All Ryan White case managers are required to have this training.

Community Development Advisory Council (CDAC): Deal said that his two year term ended in June 2019 and they are in the process of restructuring.

Updates from Task Forces

Project PATHH: Deal said that they will be meeting on Saturday morning at the Shrine of the Black Madonna on MLK Blvd.

HIV and Aging Coalition: Kelly said that this Sunday, 09/15/19 they will host a free 70's jazz and dance social event at Neon Boots from 5 pm - 9 pm. See the flyer in your packet for more information.

Texas HIV Medication Advisory Committee: Turner said that he was not reappointed and there may be a surprising announcement from the committee.

Positive Women's Network (PWN): Pradia said they will have an event on 10/19/19 in observance of National Day of Action to End Violence Against Women Living with HIV. See attached flyer.

Texas Black Women's Initiative: Johnson-Fairley said they will have a team meeting next Thursday, 09/19/19. If anyone is interested in attending please let her know.

END HIV Houston: The group met yesterday to talk about the new funding opportunity for the national End HIV initiative.

Texans living with HIV Network: Pradia said that they are regrouping right now so she will provide an update next month

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Victoria Williams, Director

Date 09-30-19

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Council Chair:



Date 10/04/19

Final Approval by
Council Chair:



Date 10/10/19

