

Palm Beach County HIV CARE Council
CARE Council Meeting
Wednesday, November 12, 2014
Minutes

Members Present

Marsharee Chronicle
Rosalyn Collins
Quinton Dames
Mitchell Durant
Kim Enright
Don Hilliard
Mary Kannel
Glenn Krabec
Kelly Martes
Thomas McKissack
Larry Osband
Lilia Perez
Cecil Smith
Denise St. Joy
Jeannette Tomici
Vicki Tucci

Member Absent

Charles Brooks
Lavan Harper
Melissa McGee
*Mary Jane Reynolds
Elizabeth Robinson
Randy Rich
Shirley Samples
Tony White

CARE Council Staff

Pat Cruzata

Grantee Staff

Anna Balla
Geoff Downie
Tammy Fields
Frank Frank
Shoshana Ringer
Nadia Najarro

Support Staff

Sam Freels

Guests

James Agbodzacky
Guillermo Sarria

Nicole Frederick

Beatrice Manning

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- I. The CARE Council Meeting was called to order at 2:34p.m. by Chair, Mary Kannel, at the Mayme Frederick Building. Roll was taken, **a quorum was present**. Guests were introduced.

 - II. A Moment of Reflection:

Moment of Silence

A moment of silence is observed in respect to the memory of those individuals who have succumbed to aids and those who are living with the disease. let us remember why we are here today. let us have the strength to make the decisions that will improve the care of those we serve. let us be thankful for what we have accomplished to date.

- III. **Motion** by Larry Osband, **second** by Don Hilliard to accept the excused absences for Mary Jane Reynolds as presented. **Motion carried.**

IV. **Motion** by Larry Osband, **second** by Vicki Tucci to accept the November 12, 2014 CARE Council Meeting Agenda as presented. **Motion carried.**

V. **Motion** by Larry Osband, **second** by Don Hilliard to accept the July 28, 2014 CARE Council Meeting Minutes as presented. **Motion carried.**

Motion by Don Hilliard, **second** by Thomas McKissack to accept the October 27, 2014 CARE Council Meeting Minutes as amended. **Motion carried.**

VI. Comments by the Chair: The Chair thanked Glenn Krabec for presenting the Robert's Rule Education moment to the committee. She reminded everyone about sidebar conversation and to respect other at the meeting.

The Chair recognized the following new members on the CARE Council: Lilia Perez, Denise St. Joy and Jeannette Tomici. The Chair also welcomed Frank Frank from the Grantee's office.

VII. Public comments: There were none.

VIII. Educational Moment: There was none.

IX. Standing Reports & Updates

A. Health Care Reform: Nadia Najarro gave a brief report

B. Legislature Updates: Vicki Tucci—there was no report.

C. CPP Updates: Larry Osband gave updates; Larry stated that the CPP will continue with the prevention plan. He reminded the members that the Smart Ride is scheduled this weekend. He stated that the Redbook is available on the CARE Council website and if there are any changes, please contact the secretary Pat Cruzata at (561) 355-4713 or by email at pcruata@pbcgov.org.

Larry announced that the WAD is quickly approaching and he provided the various locations.

D. Part B Report; Patient Care & 4BNWK Report: Mitchell Durant stated that there were no updates. He provided a document to the members about the ADAP Program Update with the plan selection information.

E. Surveillance Report: Psyche Doe distributed the report to the Secretary, she email it out to the CC members.

F. Medicaid Report: Kelly Martes-There was no report

G. Part A Report: Geoff Downie stated that he wanted to address three issues;

1. The release of the RFP process is moving forward.
2. Update on the RPF process, in the midst of conducting the panels. Once the applications are scored, following the internal process –Geoff informed the members that the score(s) is/are public record once the process is completed.

3. He announced that the ACA open-enrollment period is approaching. He stated what Part A would do to support Part A clients.
- H. Expenditure Report: Frank Frank explained the expenditure report to the committee members. It was noted that staff has reached out to some of the agencies to see if they would be able to utilize the money by the end of the year.
- I. Membership: Kim Enright reported that the interviews have been conducted. Kim gave a brief overview on the Palm Beach County HIV CARE Council Policy and Bylaws to the committee.

Tammy Fields stated that the County can remove a member who is not in compliance with the Palm Beach County HIV CARE Council Policy or Bylaws.

Tammy explained the process for a member who abstains after a vote. It was noted that there is a form for voting conflict. The secretary has the form.

The committee members suggested that Kim Enright give an educational moment at the next CARE Council Meeting.

- X. Unfinished Business and General Orders: There was none.
- XI. New Business: Approval of Recommendations from Committees
Vote **New Business**: The Priorities and Allocations Committee recommends the Approval of the Health Insurance Continuation for client (cap) limitation up to \$5000, it was endorsed by the Executive Committee and sent to the CARE Council Committee for approval—the vote did not pass and a workgroup was recommended. An ACA Workgroup was created and met on *Thursday, October 30, 2014* and recommended the following:
 - a. **Motion carried** to approve the workgroup recommendation continuing to pay health insurance premiums for Ryan White Part A clients who are previously enrolled or are processed into the ACA Plan as of November 14, 2014.
 - b. **Motion carried as amended** to approve the workgroup recommendation giving clients who are on the Part A Transitional list the flexibility to enroll in plans that are not prior approved by ADAP, provided they are cost-effective and the HIV formulary medications are covered.
 - c. **Motion carried as amended** to approve the workgroup recommendation to continuing to paying for co-pays and deductibles under the Health Insurance Continuation program under the current eligibility of 400% FPL or below, provided they are cost-effective and the HIV formulary medications are covered.

- d. **Motion carried** to approve the workgroup recommendation that the committee(s) defines the share of cost for co-pay and deductibles for clients, and a tracking process.
- e. **Motion carried** to approve the workgroup recommended for the GY 15 Budget to decrease by \$75,000 from Specialty Medical Services, and to increase \$75,000 into the Health Insurance Continuation.

The Chair pointed out that the Medical Nutritional Therapy is a line item, however there no funding allocated as of now.

- f. **Motion carried** to approve the workgroup recommendation that Part A not fund at this time premium assistance for enrollment into the ACA outside of the ADAP enrollment process and client list.
- g. **Motion carried** to approve the Priorities and Allocations Committee recommends the Approval of the GY 2015 Level Funding Budget as presented.

Glenn Krabec thanked the ACA Workgroup for all of their hard work.

- XII. Other Business: Larry gave a brief report about City of West Palm HOPWA Grant.
- XIII. Announcements:
 - A. Glenn announced that the Smart Ride starts soon; he noted that there are over 500 riders. Mary thanked each member who participates and rides for this cause.
- XIV. Adjournment: With no further business, the CARE Council Meeting was adjourned at 3:55p.m. at the Mayme Frederick Building, 1440 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Riviera Beach, FL.

Approved as presented 1-26-15 pc