



**COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
THURSDAY April 24, 2014  
2:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order by Pamela Sabella, Co-Chair, at 2:08 pm

**ATTENDANCE** Members Present: Reva Iman, Joyce Johnson, Andrew Maldonado, Pamela Sabella  
Members Absent: Brandi Geoit, Charles Keay, Jackson Youmas  
Guests Present: Rachel Pennington  
Grantee Staff Present: None  
Lead Agency Staff Present: None  
Health Councils Staff Present: Ashley Richards, Lisa Nugent

**CHANGES TO AGENDA** No changes were made to the agenda.

**ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES** The minutes for April 24, 2014 were approved as written (**M:** Maldonado; **S:** Iman).

**CARE COUNCIL REPORT** Pamela Sabella gave the report. The Care Council met on May 7, 2014 at the Children’s Board of Hillsborough County. There was a short business meeting followed by membership training. The Grantee received the Part A Award which included a 5.5% increase and totaled \$9,922,280. There was an increase in both the supplemental award and the formula but the greatest increase in funds came from the supplemental/competitive part of the application. HRSA informed us that many other award amounts are decreasing due to the elimination of the hold harmless provision that expired this year. The Part B Lead Agency announced that Demarcus Holden is now the Part B Administrator.

Sara Sullivan presented the Part B AAM which did not need to be voted on as it was an informational item.



Marty gave a short summary of the membership training which took place after the Care Council meeting concluded. County Attorney, Mary Helen Farris, presented briefly on the Sunshine Law, including abstaining from votes, conference call/Skype-type meetings, and communication between committee members.

**COMMUNITY  
INPUT/CONCERNS**

Reva Iman reported that there is still not a lock box for surveys at Metro. Surveys are still able to be sealed prior to dropping them in the drop box.

There was a question from the committee regarding the purpose of the surveys, what the results were for and why certain questions were being asked. Staff gave an explanation of the purpose of the surveys and explained how they affected funding streams and the allocations process.

It was recommended that any interested parties attend the P&E and RPARC meetings for more involvement in the planning and funding allocations process.

There was a concern about limited access to bilingual Spanish language translators in Pinellas county at the Health Department. Many of these clients needing services are new to the area from Puerto Rico and are having trouble accessing services locally due to the language barrier.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

National HIV Testing Day is June 27<sup>th</sup>. There will be many local events that will be shared via the Ryan White Care Council Information Share once the information becomes available.

Andrew Maldonado announced that the Faith Based testing initiative will continue via the National Black Leadership Commission on AIDS

Also the Florida Department of Health will be filming and updated version of the HIV101 Training video in Orlando in June.

Sat August 9<sup>th</sup> at Bible Based Church on Ehrlich Rd there will be a



health fair from 8am-12pm. There will be HIV testing and other services available.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.