



**WEST CENTRAL FLORIDA RYAN WHITE CARE COUNCIL
RESOURCE PRIORITIZATION AND ALLOCATION RECOMMENDATIONS
SUNCOAST HOSPICE, CLEARWATER
THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2014
11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.**

MINUTES

- CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order by Marty Clemmons, Chair at 11:03 a.m.
- ATTENDANCE**
- Members Present: Belinda Alexander, Keith Boyd, Ginny Boucher, Marty Clemmons, Nolan Finn, Teri Fitzgerald, Brandi Geoit, David Konnerth, Marilyn Merida, Priya Rajkumar, Elizabeth Rugg
- Members Absent: William Harper, Vince Lisbon, Joe Parramore, Jim Roth, Joy Winheim, Kristen Whitesell
- Guests Present:, Carla Baity, Kirsty Gutierrez
- Grantee Staff Present: Dorinda Seth
- Lead Agency Staff Present: None
- Health Councils Staff Present: Lisa Nugent
- CHANGES TO AGENDA** Two items were added by the Chair: Item VII- Affordable Care Act and Medicaid Managed Care Update and Item IX- AAM Survey.
- ADOPTION OF MINUTES** **The minutes for April 10, 2014 were approved (M: Rajkumar, S: Merida) unanimously.**
- CARE COUNCIL REPORT**
- Marty Clemmons 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.

PART A YEAR END EXPENDITURE REPORT

Dorinda Seth presented the Year End expenditure report for Part A. The grant year ended with Part A funds over 99% spent. Members asked questions about certain contracts and spending rates. One item appeared to be a typo that Dorinda said she would look into. Members also asked about the administrative expenses including planning council support. Dorinda responded that one item from the county was sent back which lowered their spending rate. Lisa Nugent answered that PLWH support/travel was not fully expended last year partly due to the fact that the grantee meeting is now every other year and funds are set aside to pay for members to attend.

A motion was made to accept the Part A Year End Expenditure Report (M: Finn; S: Merida). The report passed unanimously.

ACA AND MEDICAID MANAGED CARE UPDATE

Members discussed difficulties they were seeing with changes to Medicaid Managed Care (MMC) especially for those who are dually eligible for Medicaid and Medicare. Plans and providers are changing over very quickly and finding information has been a challenge. Case managers are starting to see clients who never previously needed case management coming into case management for assistance with understanding MMC or the Affordable Care Act (ACA)/insurance plans.

Marty provided an update on PAC Waiver from a recent conference call with AHCA. AHCA apologized for confusion about PAC Waiver and the existence of a waiting list. Currently, there are 6,245 clients on PAC and the statewide maximum is 7,400. Members added that AHCA is looking to raise the maximum number.

Case Managers are experiencing some changes in that they are now resources about insurance and educating clients about benefits, deductibles, etc.

Teri Fitzgerald noted that AHCA has a very useful website for information about MMC. She agreed to send the website to Lisa to be distributed via the Info Share.

COMMUNITY INPUT/ ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements were made that will be shared through Info Share.

AAM SURVEY

Marty handed out surveys to RPARC members to complete as part of the Part A Assessment of the Administrative Mechanism (AAM). Members completed the surveys and dropped them in a manila envelope that will be mailed to the AAM consultant.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 11:55 p.m.