



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

MINUTES

- CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order by Marty Clemmons, Chair at 11:02 a.m.
- ATTENDANCE**
- Members Present: Carla Baity, Keith Boyd, Ginny Boucher, Marty Clemmons, Nolan Finn, Teri Fitzgerald, Brandi Geoit, William Harper, David Konnerth, Marilyn Merida, Joe Parramore, Priya Rajkumar, Jim Roth, Elizabeth Rugg, Joy Winheim, Kristen Whitesell
- Members Absent: Belinda Alexander
- Guests Present:, Vicki Oliver
- Grantee Staff Present: Aubrey Arnold
- Lead Agency Staff Present: Demarcus Holden, Shelley Taylor-Donahue, Floyd Egner
- Health Councils Staff Present: Lisa Nugent, Ashely Richards
- CHANGES TO AGENDA** None.
- ADOPTION OF MINUTES** **The minutes for April 10, 2014 were approved (M: Rajkumar, S: Boyd) unanimously.**
- CARE COUNCIL REPORT**
- Marty Clemmons gave the report. The Care Council met on June 4, 2014 at the Children's Board of Hillsborough County. The Grantee received the Part A Award in May which included a 5.5% increase and totaled \$9,922,280. Grantee staff is working on funding recommendations for RPARC and a procurement process should happen in July-August. The grantee is successfully paying providers through the Third Party Administrator (TPA) and expects the process to improve further in the coming days. Part A and Part B will host a meeting on 6/27/14 for case management providers to discuss ADAP, the Insurance Services

Program, and the Affordable Care Act.

The Part B Lead Agency announced that they have been temporarily granted the Emerging Communities funds for Manatee County of approx. \$17,000. The funds must be spent by June 30 and the Lead Agency has developed a plan to spend the funds.

All committees reported their recent activities. There were no action items but the Part A Expenditure Report was reviewed as an information item.

PART A ALLOCATIONS DISCUSSION

Aubrey Arnold presented the Part A Allocation Recommendations developed by the grantee's office. The Allocations are based off the grant award for '14-'15 which includes a 5% increase in the award amount. The funding is for permanent allocation by service category for existing core services. To formulate their recommendations, the grantee looked at prior year spending and conducted a survey of the provider network.

Committee members reviewed the grantee's recommendations and looked at the priorities adopted by the planning council and the service category definitions. Members asked questions about the amounts allocated to each service (medical case management, substance abuse, treatment adherence, health insurance, quality management, oral health, mental health, and ambulatory outpatient). The grantee reminded the committee that there are carryover funds that they will be requesting that could be used for any areas that require additional funding over what is being proposed.

The largest increases are going to medical case management. Health insurance services has a smaller increase because utilization/demand have not warranted more, as of yet. Members discussed the oral health allocations and if Medicaid MMA would have any impact on it.

The grantee expects a procurement/RFA process to go out in July-August with a 2 month turn around. Proposals will then be scored and awards announced. Recommendations would go to the Board of County Commissioners ASAP (approx. Sept). New providers would go through the County's process.

Members were happy that the allocations would go to fund 6 out of the 7 top priorities set forth by the planning council.

**PART A ALLOCATIONS
RECOMMENDATIONS
FY 14-15**

Service	County	Current Amount	Increase	Revised Amount
Outpatient/Ambulatory	Pasco	102,000	8,000	110,000
Medical Case Management	Hillsborough*	484,313	200,000	684,313
Medical Case Management	Pinellas*	591,211	250,000	841,211
Medical Case Management	Pasco/ Hernando	141,000	30,000	171,000
Medical Case Management (Inmate)	Hillsborough	79,893	30,000	109,893
Medical Case Management (Inmate)	Pinellas	82,598	40,000	122,598
Health Insurance Prem/Copay/Ded	EMA	516,500	56,722	573,222
Oral Health	Hillsborough	226,721	50,000	276,721
Oral Health	Pinellas	260,850	50,000	310,850
Mental Health	Pinellas	101,138	100,000	201,138
Substance Abuse	Pinellas	190,208	60,000	250,208
Quality Management	EMA	105,978	50,000	155,978
Total			924,722	
MAI Service	County	Current Amount	Increase	Revised Amount
Substance Abuse (AA)	Hillsborough/ Pinellas	121,610	18,713	140,323
Total			18,713	
*Please note: the RFA to be released for MCM (Hillsborough) will be issued for \$291,922 and MCM (Pinellas) will be issued for \$320,676 to account for an expired contract already allocated in the current amount column above.				

A motion was made to accept the Part A 14-15 Allocation Recommendations (M: Roth; S: Harper). The chair asked for a roll call vote and all 16 members present voted to accept the recommendations.

**PLWHA TRANSITION
INTO HEALTH
INSURANCE
MARKETPLACE**

Shelley Taylor-Donohue checked in with the committee to see if they had seen any issues recently. Members discussed concerns with one-time premium assistance. The State AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) is working on educational materials to help people enroll in the ACA in November for the next open enrollment period. ADAP will be sending out the information and being more proactive so that people can get on health plans that meet their needs. Members discussed other options such as the ability to change plans and/or transition back to ADAP so people are not falling through the cracks.

Joe applauded Elizabeth Rugg for keeping close tabs on the health insurance issues.

**ACA AND MEDICAID
MANAGED CARE
UPDATE**

Marty thanked Teri and the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) for doing a great job. People can go to AHCA for questions and issue online complaints.

Members asked if there was any information about changes coming up with Project AIDS Care (PAC) waiver/home and community based waivers. As of now the waiver is not going away and no one has heard of any changes as of yet.

Clients are advised to direct all questions directly to AHCA and not the individual insurance providers to avoid receiving information that is incorrect or unclear.

**COMMUNITY
INPUT/
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Part D update- The Senate's language recommends that Part C and Part D remain separate. The bill still needs to go through the House.

Francis House announced that Strike Out for AIDS, the bowling fundraiser, is scheduled for August 16. More info can be found at strikeoutforAIDS.org

Announcements were made that will be shared through Info Share.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 12:04 p.m.