



**WOMEN, INFANT, CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES (WICY&F) COMMITTEE
SUNCOAST HOSPICE – ST PETERSBURG
THURSDAY, June 26, 2014
9:30 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.**

MINUTES

- CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order by Mary Jones, Committee member at 9:36 am
- ATTENDANCE** Members Present: Brandice Corriveau, Lourdes Llorens, Marylin Merida, Wendy Pearson, Barbara Szelag, Ayakao Watkins, Mona Wright
Members Absent: Mary Frances Jones, Mabel Gonzalez, Janet Kitchen, Stephanie Lugo, JaDawn Wright,
Guests Present: Ryan Brenn, Waleska Baez, Guttenberg Pierre Jr.
Grantee Staff Present:
Lead Agency Staff Present:
Health Council Staff Present: Ashley Richards, Lisa Nugent
- CHANGES TO AGENDA** There were no changes made to the agenda.
- ADOPTION OF MINUTES** The minutes for April 24, 2014 were unanimously approved (**M:** Watkins, **S:** Llorens)
- CARE COUNCIL REPORT** Staff gave the report of the Care Council that took place 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. It is expected that providers will continue



paper billing at least until Sept of this year. 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 and to identify gaps in training that need to be addressed.

The Part B Lead Agency announced that they have been temporarily granted the Emerging Communities funds for Manatee County in the amount of \$17,884. 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 informational item.

P&E/RPARC Report

Marylin Merida gave the P&E and RPARC reports for the meetings held on June 12, 2013. The minimum standards of care were reviewed and finalized. Aubrey announced that providers should expect to be moving from paper billing to electronic billing by the fall. During the RPARC meeting, the Part A reallocations recommendations were approved and will go to Care Council in July. There was a lengthy discussion about the Client Needs Assessment survey and the validity of the results. The survey was produced by the state and some of the issues that led to weak data was that it did not produce a significant amount of respondents, there was not enough time to distribute, collect and analyze the data, no power in the survey data, and there was most likely a good amount of survey fatigue.

MAY MOTHER'S DAY EVENT (Recap)

The 2014 Mother's Day Event took place in Tampa at Metro Wellness and Community Centers in Ybor on May 9 from 11-2. The theme/ title of the event was "Spilling the Tea" and it was a successful afternoon focused on community engagement and getting more women involved in the WICY&F committee.

The round table discussions were a success and produced a healthy dialogue about ways to engage women in the committee



and its activities. The information gathered from these discussions will be compiled and presented at the next Care Council and WICY&F meetings.

COMMITTEE WORK PLAN

The committee did their monthly review of their work plan to ensure that the activities were in line with the goals set by the committee. The committee expressed some concern with engaging all of the populations covered under WICY&F, particularly youth. An event collaboration

Objective B2 regarding identifying gaps in care created by the ACA. Members reported that so far the transition has been pretty smooth and case managers are mainly helping people get on the right plan. There are several issues with clients missing enrollment deadlines as well as some misconceptions that enhanced benefits are not available and ISP/AICP services are limited. Staff advised that further clarification will be sent out regarding ISP/AICP and Enhanced Benefits.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

National HIV testing day will be held on June 27. Several events will be held in our local areas. These announcements will be sent out through the Ryan White Care Council Information share.

Marylin Merida gave an update on the consolidation of Part C and D Ryan White funding. Currently it is recommended that the funding streams stay separated. This recommendation is not final but it is a step in the right direction.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.