WEST CENTRAL FLORIDA RYAN WHITE CARE COUNCIL

**MEMBERSHIP, NOMINATIONS, RECRUITMENT AND TRAINING COMMITTEE**

**CHILDREN’S BOARD OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY**

**MONDAY, JULY 17, 2017**

# 11:00 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.

# MINUTES

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| CALL TO ORDER | The meeting was called to order by Tonicia Freeman-Foster, Co-Chair, at 11:29 a.m. |
| ATTENDANCE | Members Present: Tonicia Freeman-Foster, Vincent Kaborycha, Debbie Stephey  Members Absent: Charlie Hughes  Guests Present: Jeffrey Lluberes, Steve Myers  Recipient Staff Present: None  Lead Agency Staff Present: None  Health Council Staff Present: Katie Scussel |
| CHANGES TO AGENDA | None |
| ADOPTION OF MINUTES | **The minutes from June 19, 2017 were approved (M: Stephey, S: Kaborycha).** |
| CARE COUNCIL REPORT | The Care Council met on July 5, 2017. The Recipient announced that the full grant award has been received for the 2017-2018 grant year. There was a small decrease of approximately $8600 from the amount received last year that will be absorbed in administrative costs and will not affect services. The grant application scored in the 90s and had no noted weaknesses. The Recipient announced that he is in the process of securing teams for Part A procurement scoring and that approximately 30 people will be needed. The Recipient also discussed upcoming changes and enhancements to e2-Hillsborough, including the document uploader feature and electronic claim form.  Care Council members discussed the elimination of Project AIDS Care (PAC) Waiver. There is no further information at this time. Members will continue to discuss this issue as needed at future Care Council meetings.  Membership presented the current slate for Chair and Vice-Chair nominations and reminded the Care Council that the floor will re-open for nominations prior to the vote at the August meeting.  Official business included the approval of one new member and the removal of two members. |
| **MEMBERSHIP REPORT** | Staff presented on the current number and demographics of Care Council members. There are 24 current members and 50% are PLWHA. Recruitment should focus on attracting more men, Blacks, Hispanics, people in their 40’s and 50’s, and representatives from Highlands, Hardee, Manatee, and Pinellas counties. There is one open HRSA mandated seat, which is State Medicaid Agency. There is currently a pending application from a representative from the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program, which will also fill an optional HRSA seat. |
| **NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS** | The committee scored and voted on one new member application.  **The application for applicant number 717-1 was approved (M: Kaborycha, S: Stephey). The motion passed by acclamation.** |
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| **COMMUNITY CONCERNS/ ANNOUNCEMENTS** | The previously announced Divas and Dudes event benefiting Pasco World AIDS Day Committee that was to be held on July 28th has been cancelled. There will be a future event scheduled in October.  Vincent Kaborycha expressed concern about cases of Hepatitis C in Pasco county and a lack of community resources for individuals seeking treatment. Vincent is working with Demarcus Holden with the Lead Agency to help get clients into treatment. Vincent asked members to let him know if they know of other program available to help. Staff mentioned that there will be a new infectious disease doctor starting at the new Metro Wellness location in New Port Richey in August. |
| **ADJOURNMENT** | With no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 11:59 a.m. |