# CONSUMER COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING March 28, 2013 MINUTES

Charge: Empowering consumers through education by providing the tools and knowledge to interact with those individuals and committees that affect categorical service delivery of the Ryan White Treatment Modernization Act, including the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS).

# MEMBERS PRESENT

Ben Martinez, ChairHelen Goldenberg, Vice ChairRicky TylerLinda FreemanLionel HillardGregg GunterAnthony BoldenArgette WatsonKendal RichardsonRosa CarballoAuntjuan WileyMichelle Anderson

# **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Ethene Jones Jai Makokha Jose Raymundo

Charles Griffith

# COUNCIL STAFF PRESENT

Felton Stevens, Jr., RWPC Manager Crystal Flores, RWPC Planner Jennifer Kendrick, RWPC Coordinator

### GRANTS MANAGEMENT STAFF PRESENT

Brenda Dennis, Quality Assurance Administrator

#### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Gary Benecke, RCD Darlene D. Boyd, Consumer Marsha Jones, The Afiya Center

Robert Compton, Consumer

- I. <u>Call to Order</u>: Ben Martinez, Chair called the meeting to order at 12:01 PM
- II. <u>Certification of Quorum</u>: Quorum was established and certified by Chair, Ben Martinez

# III. <u>Introductions/Announcements</u>:

- a. Michelle Anderson announced that the Campaign to End AIDS (C2EA) will host an informational session on Sequestration and the funding cut impact in the HIV Community. It will take place on April 12, 2013 from 10am-4pm at the Center for Non-Profit Management.
- b. Gregg Gunter announced that the C2EA will also host a Men and Women's Summit in Norfolk, VA from October 3- October 6.
- c. Helen Goldenberg announced that she placed flyers out that show the Texas State Representatives and Senators. She also stated that people could visit: <a href="http://www.fyi.legis.state.tx.us/Address.aspx">http://www.fyi.legis.state.tx.us/Address.aspx</a>
- d. Helen Goldenberg reminded everyone that she would begin teaching a Diabetes class on the first 4 Mondays in April.
- e. Jennifer Kendrick reminded the committee that pictures will be taken on the next meeting.
- **IV.** <u>Approval of the February 28, 2012 Minutes:</u> Helen Goldenberg moved to accept the minutes with the suggested changes. Michelle Anderson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

# V. <u>Committee Liaison Reports:</u>

- a. Allocations Committee: No Committee Report.
- b. Planning and Priorities Committee: The Planning and Priorities Committee meeting was held on March 20, 2013. Quorum was established, announcements were made and the minutes were approved. Felton Stevens did a presentation on the Priority Setting Process. He briefly discussed the parts of the Ryan White Treatment Extension Act, Epidemiological Data, and Data sources such as the 2010 Comprehensive Needs Assessment, Utilization Data, and Expenditures. Felton Stevens then notified the committee that the MAI Priority Setting Ballot for Support Services previously had two categories: Case management (Non-Medical) and Housing Based Case Management. After a review of the service categories under MAI, it was discovered that Housing Based case management

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is already funded under State Services. Felton Stevens recommended that the Committee remove Housing Based Case Management from the MAI Support Services Ballot. Felton stated that he and Crystal Flores researched which service categories would be a feasible replacement for Housing Based Case Management. They found based on data, client utilization, and previous rankings that Medical Transportation and Food Bank could be used to replace Housing Based Case Management. Sonny Blake made a motion to remove Housing Based Case Management off of the MAI Support Services Ballot. Brent Pimentel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Sonny Blake made a motion to add Medical Transportation and Food Bank to the MAI Support Services ballot. The motion passed unanimously. Next, Crystal Flores shared the status of the community assessment that was sent to funded and non-funded providers and consumers. The office of Support sent out approximately 45 surveys and 14 were returned. Crystal stated that the deadline for returning the surveys would be extended until April 12, 2013 to allow enough time to receive more responses. Gregg Gunter announced that at a Service Providers meeting he attended, he was approached by several individuals that received the community assessment requesting more information about the established Peer Navigation Programs referenced in the cover letter. Crystal stated that she would revise the cover letter to further explain the intent and purpose of the survey and send the new copy to the service providers. The meeting adjourned.

- c. Evaluation Committee: The Evaluation committee met on March 26, 2013. Quorum was established, announcements were made and the previous month's minutes were approved. Del reviewed the Comprehensive Plan Objective between Ryan White funded and non-funded providers, for the Evaluation Committee (Developing a plan and outcome for enhancing collaborations with three target areas: Housing, Transportation, and Oral Health/Dental). Housing was discussed at the March meeting, Transportation will be discussed at the April committee meeting, and Oral Health/Dental services will be discussed at the May meeting. Gregg Gunter made a suggestion to invite Mary Grensfelder to the April Evaluation meeting so that she could do a brief presentation on the "Community Transportation Network". Del reminded the committee that they invited Lori Davidson, Helena Davidson and Melissa Grove to speak on collaborative opportunities with Housing. Lori Davidson briefly discussed the executive summary of the Integrated HIV/AIDS Housing Plan Strategy as well as presented a plan for enhanced collaborations between the RWPC and Legacy's Homebase for Housing Program. Next, Melissa Grove briefly provided the background, purpose, goals and recent accomplishments of the Homebase for housing program. Melissa also briefly discussed plans for a Housing Based Training Module to be implemented on the new Homebase for Housing website. Next Helena Davidson briefly discussed the process involved in intake/ qualifying for the Homebase for Housing Program. Helena then unveiled the new Homebase for Housing website to the committee. The meeting adjourned
- d. Care Coordination Ad Hoc Committee: No report
- VI. Consumer Council Committee Forum Updates: The committee came to a consensus on the design of the forum flyer for the first forum. The first forum, STD/HIV Co-infections with a Medical and Social overview, will take place on April 25, 2013 at the Resource Center from 2-4. Jai Makokha will be the facilitator of the forum and the speakers will be Mary McCloud and Maurice Murray. Ben also updated everyone on the status of the second forum on HIV and Aging. It will be moved to June 26<sup>th</sup> and will take place at Parkland's Amelia Court Professional Building Auditorium from 2-4.
- VII. <u>2014 Priority Setting Process:</u> Felton Stevens did a presentation on the Priority Setting Process. He briefly discussed the parts of the Ryan White Treatment Extension Act, Epidemiological Data, and Data sources such as the 2010 Comprehensive Needs Assessment, Utilization Data, and Expenditures. The committee decided to meet on April 17, 2013 at 12:00pm. and rank and submit their ballot at that time.
- **VIII.** Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:14PM

Submitted by:

Jennifer Kendrick, RWPC Coordinator	Date
Draft Certified by:	
Felton Stevens, RWPC Manager	Date
Final Approval by:	
Ben Martinez, Chairperson	

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING
Thursday, April 17, 2013 12:00 p.m.
Hickman Conference Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Dallas County Health and Human Services Building 2377 N. Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, TX