

RYAN WHITE PLANNING COUNCIL OF THE DALLAS AREA

October 10, 2018

Minutes

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Auntjuan Wiley, Vice Chair	Christopher Webb	Del Wilson
Robert Lynn	Kelly Richter	Helen E. Turner
Gary Benecke	Louvenia Freeman	Donna Wilson
John Dornheim	James Wright	Darius Ahmadi
Lori Davidson	Julie Jackson	Karin Petties
Robert L. McGee II		

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

Tom Emanuele	Phillip Scheldt	Stacie McNulty
Debbe Velasquez	Leonardo Zea	Jonathan Thorne
Lionel M. Hillard, Chair	Yolanda Jones	Cristopher Burke
Evany Turk, Vice Chair		

RWPC STAFF PRESENT

Annie Sawyer-Williams RWPC Coordinator	Glenda Blackmon-Johnson, Program Manager
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GRANTS MANAGEMENT STAFF PRESENT

Lynn Smith-Clay, GMO	Sonia Contreras, Health Advisor
Wanda Scott, Program Monitor	

OTHERS PRESENT

Monica Tunstle-Garrett, DCHHS	Oscar Salinas, Guest	Brooke Nickerson, Legacy
Louise Weston-Ferrill, HSNT	Lauren Trimble, County Judge	Julia Chavarria, HOWPA
Casaundra Bryant, HOPWA	Sandra Carvajal, HOPWA	Amanda Hebert, AIN
Jetta Plotke, AHF	Steven Pace, AIN	Jamie Collins, CCC
Ashley Innes, Gilead	Anna Nagasako	Tony Lokash, Legal
Melanie Halley, AIN	Helen Zimba, The Afiya Center	

I. Call to Order: Ryan White Planning Council Vice Chair, Auntjuan Wiley, called the meeting to order at 9:11 a.m.

II. Certification of Quorum: Quorum was established by Auntjuan Wiley and certified by Glenda Blackmon-Johnson, Ryan White Planning Council Program Manager. Members were asked to silence their cell phones to respect the speakers; reminded members of the importance of establishing quorum and attending committee meetings.

III. Introductions/Announcements:

- a. Jetta Plotke with AIDS Healthcare Foundations introduced Anna Nagasako as their new Medical Case Manager.
- b. Helen E. Turner announced that October 15th is the National Latinx HIV/AIDS Awareness Day with the theme “*Ending HIV is everyone’s job.*”
- c. Helen E. Turner announced the 2018 Texas HIV/AIDS Conference to be held November 27-29, 2018 in Austin, Texas. Scholarships are available for those interested to attend. The Ending the Epidemic Plan will be launch at the conference “Achieving Together a Community Plan to End AIDS as an Epidemic.
- d. Glenda Blackmon-Johnson announced she attended the Honest Talk about Addiction and Mental Health Town Hall meeting hosted by Judge Lela Mays. All the community partners that provide services and resources were present. It was an exchange of information and discussions regarding receiving reimbursements for those who are providing the service(s).

- e. Auntjuan Wiley announced there are scholarships available for the Men’s Strength Conference. He asked members and guest to spread the word to any positive men’s who would like to attend..
- f. Auntjuan Wiley announced the Wellness Roundtable is held every 3rd Thursday, of the month from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Meadow Conference Center. Lunch will be provided per RSVP.

Office of Support Announcements:

- Tom Emmanuel remains on medical leave.
- Please submit Ryan White Planning Council Leadership applications to the Office of Support.
- Committees are on target with the 2018 work plan projects.
- Executive Committee conducted an interview the Julie Wilson Caldwell, and appointed Julie to the Consumer Council Committee and made a recommendation to the Judge for Julie’s appointment to the Ryan White Planning Council.
- RWPC is still seeking women of color/Transgender/Youth/Hispanic/Indian representation for the Planning Council and currently have 3 mandated seats to be filled: Texas State Agency, Medicaid, and representation of recently incarcerated, i.e. Parole Officer.
- New Member Orientation scheduled October 26, 2018 (10-2). Please contact the Office of Support for RSVP.
- The Texas Human Immunodeficiency Virus and Sexually Transmitted Disease Conference Scholarship applications & Save the Date flyers are available.

IV. **Approval of the September 17, 2018 Minutes:** *John Dornheim motioned to accept the Ryan White Planning Council minutes. Louvenia Freeman seconded the motion. The motion passed with two abstentions.*

V. **Administrative Agency Report:** Lynn Smith-Clay announced:

- Part A has begun the Reallocations and Requesting for Funding Increase (RFI) were sent to sub-recipients with a deadline of 10.10.18.
- Part B reallocations amendments has been completed and sent to Commissioners Court to be added on October 16th, court agenda.
- The Local Pharmaceutical AIDS Program (LPAP) Committee met on September 21st and has requested data to begin their tasks.
 - Information over a five year span
 - The number of clients listed on the AIDS Drug Assistance Plan (ADAP) and the LPAP committee from the AA. Upon receiving and reviewing the information they will poll for the 2nd meeting.
- The Clinical Quality Management (CQM) Committee had their third meeting on September 28, 2018. The discussions points were Policy Clarification Number 1502 regarding CQM and Dallas County HHS Performance Measures.
- The Carryover Notice of Award was received and will be on the October 16, 2018 court agenda. The award amount was \$300,541 and the award must be spent by the end of Part A Fiscal year which is February 28, 2019.

VI. **Committee Reports:**

- A. **Executive:** Auntjuan Wiley, RWPC Vice Chair, reported the committee met on October 5th, and quorum was established. Committee reports and announcements were given.
 - The committee reviewed the RPWC membership reflectiveness and the mandatory seat which are vacant.
 - The Leadership Application was discussed regarding streamlining the application for leadership members reapplying for membership. Mr. Talkington will forward concerns

to the Judge's Office and the committee will receive feedback from the County Judge Office.

- Support Staff reviewed the Orientation Binder that will be presented at the New Member Orientation.
- The training calendar per committee was presented and reviewed.
- The committee discussed the by-laws with suggested updating for materials.

B. Allocations: Committee did not meet.

C. Planning & Priorities: Mr. Dornheim, Planning & Priorities Committee Vice Chair, reported the committee met on September 19th, quorum was established. They discussed the FY2019 Financial Eligibility Based on the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). The committee requested for review, supporting documents for the next meeting regarding the FPL.

D. Needs Assessment: John Dornheim, Needs Assessment Committee Chair, reported the committee met on September 18th, quorum was established. The committee reviewed and discussed the 2019 Needs Assessment including: timeline, table of content, and outsourcing the survey. A member volunteered to conduct the Needs Assessment Survey and has been working with support staff to gather information.

The committee reviewed a questionnaire for Unmarried Latino Men to focus on the Latino population survey. Members were requested to forward selected questions to Justin.

E. Evaluation Committee: Gary Benecke, Evaluation Committee Chair, reported the committee met on September 25th, quorum was established. They discussed the Evaluation of the Ryan White Planning Council and Standing Committees. The committee reviewed ways for the evaluation of RWPC and Standing Committees to be objective. The committee reviewed the Ryan White Planning Council Primer as a guide.

F. Consumer Council Committee: Auntjuan Wiley Consumer Council Committee Chair, reported the committee met on September 27th and quorum was established. Announcements and committee reports were given. The committee was asked for suggestions regarding the FPL from the office of support. The HIV & Affordable Care Act forum on September 27th was very informative. The highlight of the forum was two individuals from D.C. who gave minute by minute information regarding the impact of the FPL. The committee reviewed and discussed the upcoming forums and scheduled tentative dates.

The committee scheduled tentative dates for the upcoming forums:

- *Housing Modification & Partnership- October 30th, 2-4PM*
- *HIV & Substance Abuse – November 13th, 2-4PM*
- *Social Implications HIV & Women/Transgender- December 20th, 12-2PM*

The committee discussed and scheduled members for the community: Life Walk event and Men's Strength Conference on November 1st -4th, 2018.

The committee will address at the next meeting the strategies that were presented at the RWPC Retreat.

G. Care Coordination Ad hoc Committee: Auntjuan Wiley, Care Coordination Ad hoc Committee Chair, reported the committee met on September 25th, and quorum was established. The committee reviewed the Focus Group Evaluation Report for the Black

Women, MSM, and Hispanic Focus Groups. They discussed the Federal Poverty Level and are awaiting the Planning & Priorities recommendations.

Recommendations were made and submitted to the AA regarding:

- Requirements agencies to upload documents into ARIES
- One centralized form that all Ryan White Funded Sub-Recipients can use (Common Intake Form).
- Clients should not be required to give providers their medical labs (Medical and Oral health should be the only entity who requires lab work).
- The 60 days referral system.

H. New Business: Louvenia Freeman, Surveillance Supervisor, gave an overview of the 2017 Profile of HIV in Dallas County.

HIV Profile for 2017

New Cases	Male	Female			
814	679	135			
Age	13-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	Over 55
	195	318	153	94	52
Other	MSM	Inject Drug User	Heterosexual	Pediatric	
	603	40	148	2	

Synopsis of HIV Trends in Dallas County, 2008-2017

- In 2017, an estimated 18,073 people were living with HIV in Dallas County, representing an increase of 44% since 2008.
- From 2013 through 2016, 27% of all newly diagnosed persons in Dallas County progressed to a concurrent AIDS diagnosis within 12 months of initial HIV diagnosis.
- Case rates remain disproportionately higher in African Americans, similar to trends observed in larger urban areas in the US.
- In 2017, 63% of new HIV diagnoses were in persons less than 35 years of age.

The Office of Support gave an overview of the RWPC New Members Orientation Guide that will be discussed in the New Members Orientation/Refresher.

VII. Adjournment: John Dornheim motioned to adjourn. Donna Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:01 a.m.

Submitted by:

Annie Sawyer-Williams, RWPC Coordinator

Date

Draft Certified by:

Glenda Blackmon-Johnson, RWPC Manager

Date

Final Approval by:

Lionel Hillard, Chairperson
Auntjuan Wiley, Vice Chair
Evany Turk, Vice Chair

Date

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING
Wednesday, November 14, 2018 9:00 AM
Hickman Conference Room, 2nd floor
Dallas County Health and Human Services Building
2377 N. Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, TX 75207