

Greater Hampton Roads HIV Health Services Planning Council

Quality Improvement & Strategic Planning Committee Meeting

Norfolk Department of Human Services, 741 Monticello Avenue

Thursday, August 17, 2017: 4:00 p.m.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

Moment of Silent Reflection: A moment of silent reflection was observed for those affected and infected by HIV and AIDS.

Welcome/Introductions/Roll Call: Attendance was called as follows:

Present:

Doris McNeill
Todd England
Ashley Veal
Tony Boston

Rachael Artise
Robert Bailey
Michael Singleton

Members Absent:

Catherine Derber
Jerome Cuffee

Gwendolyn Ellis-Wilson
Tanya Kearney

Staff:

Jacquelyne Wiggins-Grantee Staff
Thomas Schucker-P.C. Support

Marsha Butler
Michael Koran-P.C. Support

Guests:

Lynea Hogan-P.C. Member

Review of Minutes:

The committee reviewed minutes from the last meeting. A correction was noted on page 3, the last sentence *VA-E2* should read as *E2-Virginia*. After review and discussion, a motion was moved by Robert and properly seconded by Michael to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed.

Old Business:

The committee agenda for the meeting, was as follows:

- Review Implementation of Health Care Reform/National HIV/AIDS Strategy Impact to Ryan White
- Review the Comprehensive Plan
- Refine Standards of Care
- Review QI Portion of Grant Guidance
- Compile Unresolved Issues in Parking Lot

Following the recommendations which were presented to the Priorities, Allocations and Policies Committee for the PSRA Session, the committee was meeting to review/discuss the Early Intervention Services (EIS) program. The committee would look at what is currently in place. Going forward, the committee should review the current EIS Plan. Whether the gaps and holes can be filled and how the service must be provided. The goal

is to make sure that once an individual enters the system, they hit the exact same standards and marks on every single provider. From the Needs Assessment Report, consumers indicated that there should be a continuity of care and there must be a standard. There is currently a Standard. However, it might not look the same at each organization. In this regard, the following recommendations were made:

- That the Quality Improvement & Strategic Planning Committee should coordinate with the Recipient's Office, to hold a joint meeting with the RW EIS Providers because it is important to get the EIS Providers' input in developing the Standard.
- That once the Notice of Funding Opportunities comes out, the committee should look at what may or may not be the EIIHA, or the unaware, or the underserved population section of the document and identify who the population is. After identifying the population; working jointly with the Recipient's Office, the committee should think of what strategies to apply in reducing those disparities. Then, in about November or December, the committee should hold a joint meeting with EIS providers to discuss the strategies in reducing the identified disparities.

The committee was informed that there has not yet been any discussion regarding a move to the 500% FPL. This might be a consideration for the next grant year. Support Staff will ask the Recipient to poll Ryan White Providers to see how many people got turned away because they were over the 400%.

With regard to where or at what point newly diagnosed people fall out of care, the Grantee Staff noted that they track whatever data is requested. In the Needs Assessment Report, it is noted that the younger the individual (18-27 years old) is diagnosed HIV positive, the quicker he/she goes into care, but does not stay in care. However, the older the individual at diagnosis, the longer it takes for them to go into care and the more they tend to stay in care.

New Business:

There was no new business to discuss.

Any Other Business:

There was no other business to discuss.

Date of Next Meeting/Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, a motion was moved and properly seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed. The next meeting will be on Thursday, September 21st, at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Doris McNeill-Committee Chair