HOUSTON AREA HIV SERVICES RYAN WHITE PLANNING COUNCIL



We envision an educated community where the needs of all HIV/AIDS infected and/or affected individuals are met by accessible, effective, and culturally sensitive health and psychosocial services that are part of a fully coordinated system. The community will continue to intervene responsibly until the end of the epidemic.

The Houston Eligible Metropolitan Area (EMA) Ryan White Planning Council will improve the quality of life and advocate for those infected and/or affected with HIV/AIDS by taking a leadership role in the planning and assessment of HIV resources

MINUTES

11:30 a.m., Thursday, July 12, 2007 Meeting Location: 2223 W. Loop South, Room 416 Houston, Texas 77027

| MEMBERS PRESENT | MEMBERS ABSENT | OTHERS PRESENT |
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| Bruce Tuner, Chair | David Bartholomew, excused | Jim Stanley, HCPHES |
| Ken Malone, Vice-Chair | Kenya Kimble | Randall Ellis, Legacy Community Health Services |
| David Watson, Secretary | Fide Cisnero, excused | Omar Wilson, Strapped Condoms Inc. |
| Burton Bagby | Thomas Giordano, excused | Rachel White |
| Jacquelyn Baldwin | LaQuoiya Graham | Chanel Moody, TGE |
| David Benson | Dena Gray | Roslyn Bird |
| Paula Downes | Patrick Richoux, excused | Modelle Brudner, Interested Community Member |
| Tonya Fisher | Cecilia Smith | |
| David Garner | Michael Miller, excused | |
| Tammy Garrison | Glenn Taggart, excused | |
| Yvette Garvin | Steven Vargas, excused | |
| Eddie Givens | | |
| Kimberly Griffin | | Office of Support |
| Terry Hobbs | | Tori Williams |
| Kevin Jackson | | Georgette L. Monaghan |
| Asia Johnson | | |
| Melvin Johnson | | |
| Marco Mata | | |
| Askari Naqvi | | |
| Shannon Prudhomme | | |
| Samuel Robinson IV | | |
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| Aashish Shah | | |
| Jerry Shelton | | |
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| Cathy Wiley | | |

See the attached chart at the end of the minutes for individual voting information.

Training: The Allocations Process: Tammy Garrison, Co-Chair, Priority & Allocations Committee, presented the attached Allocations Process Power Point presentation.

Call to Order: Bruce Turner, Chair, Ryan White Planning Council, called the meeting to order at 11:44 a.m. by asking for a moment of reflection. Turner introduced new members Dr. Aashish Shah and Jerry Shelton. David Benson, also a new member, arrived later in the meeting.

Adoption of the Agenda: *Motion #1*: it was moved and seconded (Malone, Downes) to adopt the agenda, with the following correction to an agenda item: under E. Report from the Priority and Allocations Committee, Item 4, the last sentence should read: ...funding as it "is" in FY 2007 (not "was"). *Motion carried.*

Adoption of the Minutes: *Motion #2*: it was moved and seconded (Jackson, Garner) to adopt the June 14, 2007 minutes. *Motion carried*. Abstentions: Garvin, Shah, Shelton, Griffin.

Public Comment:

Kym King, Bering Omega Community Foundation - see the attached fax.

Melvin Johnson stated that he had volunteered to help Jacquelyn Baldwin at an HIV Testing event at the Prince Complex. He was very impressed with the way the event was organized. Over 350 people were tested.

Omar Wilson, Strapped Condoms, introduced himself and stated that his company also supported the HIV Testing Event described above.

Reports from Committees:

Quality Assurance Committee: No report.

Comprehensive HIV Planning Committee: No report.

Affected Community Committee: John Tuttle, Co-Chair, gave the following reports:

Educational Presentation: At the June Committee meeting, Kelly McCann, Executive Director, AIDS Foundation Houston, gave an excellent presentation entitled "Good Ol' Boys and Bars on the Windows: HIV Inside TDCJ".

June 25, 2007 Public Hearing: Tuttle and Fisher co-chaired the hearing which presented the FY 2008 Houston Area Ryan White service priorities (Part A, B and *State Service* funding) and the FY 2008 Houston Area Ryan White Part A allocations. No comments were made.

Operations Committee: Eddie Givens, Vice-Chair, reported on the following:

FY 2007 Council Support Budget: *Motion #3*: Allow the Manager of the Office of Support to move up to \$56,250 from Needs Assessment to Blue Book activities in FY 2007. *Motion carried.* Abstentions: Shah, Shelton.

<u>Priority & Allocations Committee:</u> Paula Downes, Co-Chair, gave the following reports: FY 2008 Service Priorities: *Motion #4: To accept the attached FY 2008 Houston Area Ryan White Service Priorities. <i>Motion carried.* Abstentions: Watson, Garvin, Shah, Downes, Rodriguez, Wiley, Benson, Shelton.

FY 2007 Part B and State Services Allocation Increases: *Motion #5*: To accept the attached recommendations regarding the FY 2007 Ryan White Part B and State Services requests for allocation

increases. Motion carried. Abstentions: Watson, Garvin, Shah, Downes, Rodriguez, Wiley, Benson, Shelton, Prudhomme.

FY 2008 Ryan White Part A Allocations - Philosophy: FYI: See the attached sheet describing the philosophy used to determine the Ryan White Part A FY 2008 allocations.

FY 2008 Ryan White Part A Allocations – MAI Funding: *Motion #6:* To continue FY 2008 Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI) allocations at level funding as it is in FY 2007. *Motion carried.* Abstentions: Watson, Garvin, Shah, Downes, Rodriguez, Wiley, Benson, Shelton, Prudhomme.

FY 2008 Ryan White Part A Allocations – Level Funding Scenario: *Motion #7: To accept the attached Ryan White Part A FY 2008 Level Funding Scenario.* Discussion: Downes summarized the level funding scenario. Henley stated that there has been a \$427,000 decrease in funding in FY 2007. The MAI grant award is yet to be made. If one compares the FY 2007 base grant of \$17.9 million to the FY 2006 amount of \$19.7 million, it is clear that the Council is trying to maintain the continuum of care with substantially less money. *Motion carried.* Abstentions: Watson, Garvin, Shah, Downes, Rodriguez, Wiley, Benson, Prudhomme.

FY 2008 Ryan White Part A Allocations – Decrease Funding Scenario: *Motion #8: To accept the attached Ryan White Part A FY 2008 Decrease Funding Scenario. Motion carried.* Abstentions: Watson, Garvin, Shah, Downes, Rodriguez, Wiley, Benson, Prudhomme.

FY 2008 Ryan White Part A Allocations – Increase Funding Scenario: *Motion #9: To accept the attached Ryan White Part A FY 2008 Increase Funding Scenario. Motion carried.* Nay: Jackson. Abstentions: Watson, Garvin, Shah, Downes, Rodriguez, Wiley, Benson, Prudhomme.

Report from Office of Support: Tori Williams, Manager, summarized the attached report.

Report from HIV Services: Charles Henley, Director, HIV Services, Harris County Health Department, summarized the attached report. Henley state that the Bus Pass Program is on track. Tuttle asked if any other group(s) stepped up to the plate in favor of bus passes. Henley responded that no other group has been as well organized as the Planning Council in trying to save the program.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

Report from Ryan White Parts B, C Rural and D: Garvin stated that Part C Rural has been approved for the next three-year grant cycle. Part B will be renewed by August 1, 2007.

Ryan White Part F SPNS: Henley stated that the SPNS Project currently has eight youth enrolled in the program who are African American or Hispanic and who were not previously in care. The goal is to enroll ten to twelve additional youth in the program.

Report from the CDC Planning and Prevention Group: Robinson stated that orientation was held last month.

Mayor's Task Force on HIV/AIDS: Robinson stated that the next meeting is Friday, July 13, 2007 at 8:00 p.m. at 8000 North Stadium Drive.

Latino Task Force on HIV/AIDS: Wiley stated that over 350 people were tested at Club Carnival for National AIDS Testing Day on June 27, 2007. Of these, 5 tested positive. Over 1600 people were tested at the Houston Department sites with 15-16 testing positive.

HOPWA: Tuttle stated that the HIV/AIDS Housing Needs Assessment should be ready for publication next month.

Announcements: Baldwin thanked those that helped with the National HIV/AIDS Testing Day event at the Prince Complex, especially Barbara Joseph who spearheaded the City of Houston's participation.

Adjournment: *Motion #10:* it was moved and seconded (Downes, Garner) to adjourn the meeting at 12:26 p.m. *Motion carried.*

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| Draft Certified by Council Chair: | Date 8/2/07 |
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