## HOUSTON AREA HIV SERVICES RYAN WHITE PLANNING COUNCIL

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We envision an educated community where the needs of all persons living with HIV 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 living with and/or affected by HIV by taking a leadership role in the planning and assessment of HIV resources.

### **MINUTES**

12 noon, Thursday, July 12, 2018

Meeting Location: Ryan White Offices, 2223 W. Loop South, Rm 532; Houston, Texas 77027

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS PRESENT	OTHERS PRESENT
Cecilia Oshingbade, Chair	Robert Noble	Ann Robison, Montrose Center
Skeet Boyle, Vice Chair	Shital Patel	Jessi Mona Cartwright-Biggs
Carol Suazo, Secretary	Faye Robinson	
Ruth Atkinson	Viviana Santibanez	
Connie L. Barnes	Gloria Sierra	STAFF PRESENT
Rosalind Belcher	Bruce Turner	Ryan White Grant Administration
Ella Collins-Nelson	Steven Vargas	Carin Martin
Bobby Cruz		Heather Keizman
Johnny Deal		
Herman L. Finley III	MEMBERS ABSENT	The Resource Group
Ronnie Galley	Ted Artiaga, excused	Sha'Terra Johnson-Fairley
Paul E. Grunenwald	David Benson, excused	Crystal Townsend
Angela F. Hawkins	Arlene Johnson	
Dawn Jenkins	J. Hoxi Jones, excused	Office of Support
Daphne L. Jones	Krystal Perez, excused	Tori Williams
Denis Kelly	John Poole	Amber Harbolt
Peta-gay Ledbetter	Tana Pradia, excused	Diane Beck
Tom Lindstrom	Venita Ray	
Osaro Mgbere	Isis Torrente, excused	
Rodney Mills		
Allen Murray		

Call to Order: Cecilia Oshingbade, Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

During the opening remarks, Oshingbade acknowledged the Mentors for doing a great job. She presented a special pin to the mentors who were present. She stated that Council members are 100% compliant with the Open Meetings Act training requirement and asked that everyone please keep an eye out for information about Ryan White Committee Cross Trainings which will start in August.

**Training: Priority Setting and Allocations Processes:** Peta-gay Ledbetter and Bruce Turner, Co-Chairs of the Priority and Allocations Committee, presented the attached training.

Adoption of the Agenda: <u>Motion #1</u>: it was moved and seconded (Kelly, Deal) to adopt the agenda. **Motion carried.** 

Approval of the Minutes: <u>Motion #2</u>: it was moved and seconded (Turner, Barnes) to approve the June 14, 2018 minutes. Motion carried. Abstentions: Grunenwald, Lindstrom, and Suazo.

Public Comment and Announcements: See attached written comments.

### **Reports from Committees**

Comprehensive HIV Planning Committee: Steven Vargas, Co-Chair, reported on the following: Early Identification of Individuals with HIV/AIDS (EIIHA)\*: The Comprehensive HIV Planning Committee held a brief meeting on June 28th to discuss the development timeline for the FY19 EIIHA Strategy. See the attached development timeline.

Motion #3: In order to meet HRSA grant application deadlines, it was requested that the Planning Council allow the Comprehensive HIV Planning Committee to have final approval of the FY 2019 EIIHA Plan target populations, provided that the FY 2019 EIIHA Plan is developed through a collaborative process that includes stakeholders from prevention and care, community members, and consumers; and the recommended FY 2019 EIIHA Plan target populations are distributed to Planning Council members for input prior to final approval from the Comprehensive HIV Planning Committee. Motion carried.

Affected Community Committee: Rodney Mills, Co-Chair, reported on the following: Road 2 Success: The Council is partnering with the Houston Health Department, Harris County Public Health Ryan White Grant Administration and The Resource Group to provide Emergency Preparedness Training for the Houston HIV Community. The goal is to have seven training sessions at Ryan White funded primary care clinics and other locations. Please see Tori if you wish to join the members of the Affected Community Committee for a dress rehearsal at 12 noon on July 16<sup>th</sup>. There will be a board game, cooking discussion, prizes and more. Staff needs an accurate head count in order to have enough "give a way" items.

Quality Improvement Committee: Denis Kelly, Co-Chair, reported on the following: 2018 How To Best Meet the Need Results: Last month, the Council approved all FY 2019 service definitions except the 5 Service Linkage Workers Targeted to Substance Abuse and the 5 ADAP eligibility workers. The July 17, 2018 Quality Improvement Committee will be dedicated to looking at these positions before bringing them back to the Council for final approval. All are welcome to observe the meeting. Please see Rod if you would like to be in attendance.

**Priority and Allocations Committee:** Bruce Turner, Co-Chair, reported on the following: FY 2019 Ryan White Service Priorities: <u>Motion #4</u>: Approve the attached FY 2019 Service Priorities for Ryan White Parts A and B, MAI\*\* and State Services. **Motion Carried**. Abstentions: Atkinson, Artiaga, Finley, Jenkins, Jones, Kelly, Lindstrom, Mgbere, Patel, Noble, Robinson and Vargas.

<sup>\*</sup>The Early Identification of Individuals with HIV/AIDS, or EIIHA, is a national HRSA initiative to increase the number of individuals who are aware of their HIV positive status and link them to medical care. Each year, the Ryan White Planning Council hosts a collaborative process of HIV prevention and care strategies and stakeholders to develop an EIIHA plan for the Houston Area.

FY 2019 Allocations: Level Funding Scenario – All Funding Streams: <u>Motion #5 (A)</u>: Approve the attached FY 2019 Level Funding Scenario for Ryan White Parts A and B, MAI and State Services funds. See attached chart for details. Motion Carried. Abstentions: Artiaga, Finley, Jenkins, Jones, Kelly, Lindstrom, Mgbere, Patel, Noble, Robinson and Vargas.

FY 2019 Allocations: MAI\*\* Increase/Decrease Funding Scenarios: <u>Motion #6 (B)</u>: Approve the attached FY 2019 Increase & Decrease Funding Scenarios for Ryan White MAI\*\* funds. Motion Carried. Abstentions: Atkinson, Artiaga, Finley, Jenkins, Jones, Kelly, Lindstrom, Mgbere, Patel, Noble, Robinson and Vargas.

FY 2019 Allocations: Part A Increase/Decrease Funding Scenarios: <u>Motion #7 (C)</u>: Approve the attached FY 2019 Increase & Decrease Funding Scenarios for Ryan White Part A funds. Motion Carried. Abstentions: Atkinson, Artiaga, Finley, Jenkins, Jones, Kelly, Lindstrom, Mgbere, Patel, Noble, Robinson and Vargas.

FY 2019 Allocations: Part B & SS\*\*\* Increase/Decrease Funding Scenarios: <u>Motion #8 (D)</u>: Approve the attached FY 2019 Increase & Decrease Funding Scenarios for Ryan White Part B and State Services funding. Motion Carried. Abstentions: Artiaga, Finley, Jenkins, Jones, Kelly, Lindstrom, Mgbere, Patel, Noble, Robinson and Vargas.

Operations Committee: Johnny Deal, Co-Chair, reported on the following:

2018 Attendance Records: After reviewing the attendance records for Council and External Committee members, the Committee asked staff to send the attached letter to nine individuals who have missed three or more meetings in 2018.

Future Council and Committee Meeting Dates & Times: Because of requests from the public and because more people living with HIV are returning to the job market, the Operations Committee is working with the Health Planner for the Office of Support to gage the importance of offering evening or Saturday Council and/or committee meetings. Look for your survey soon and see Amber if you have questions.

2018 Council Training Schedule: Per a suggestion from HRSA, the Council will add the following topics to the 2018 training schedule:

- Opioid and Other Drug Use
- Trauma Informed Care\*\*\*

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

Report from Ryan White Grant Administration: Carin Martin, Manager, summarized the attached report.

Report from The Resource Group: Sha'Terra Johnson-Fairly, Health Planner, summarized the attached report.

**Medical Updates:** Patel presented the attached report.

### **Updates from Task Forces**

African American: Collins-Nelson said they will be honoring those who are nominated at the World AIDS Day gala.

<sup>\*\*</sup> MAI – Minority AIDS Initiative

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Trauma Informed Care (TIC) is a holistic, person-centered approach to treatment that understands and incorporates the biological, psychological, neurological, and social impact of trauma on an individual.

Latino: Sierra reported that the Task Force will be honored at Orgullo, the Latino Pride celebration. They will participate in health fairs scheduled for August 4<sup>th</sup> and 25th and Fiestas Patrias is in September.

Youth: The Youth Transition Summit will be held on August 1<sup>st</sup> at the Hiram Clarke Multiservice Center.

Hepatitis C: Vargas said they reviewed the work from the summit held in May and will submit at abstract for the upcoming conference. Noble will provide the report on this group starting next month.

HIV and Aging Coalition: Turner reported that they did not meet in June. The speaker for the July meeting will be Maggie Barnes from Dr. Crofoot's office, talking about prostate health.

Texas HIV Medication Advisory Committee: Turner said the last meeting was operational, they are working to create bylaws.

Positive Women's Network (PWN): Hawkins said they had received a grant to train 100 advocates and ended up training 212 people. They are currently working on a school supply drive.

Texas Black Women's Initiative (TBWI): Johnson-Fairly said they will be having a Beautiful Hair event in September promoting HIV prevention, treatment and PrEP for women of color.

PrEP and Data to Care Campaigns: Kelly said they met on June 18th. In late July, they will be conducting focus groups with MSM of color.

Texas HIV Syndicate: Vargas reported that they are working to complete the HIV/Hepatitis C conference scheduled for November where the statewide END plan will be presented.

END HIV Houston: Townsend said that DSHS will publish transgender data at the end of summer and they will work to align findings with the comprehensive plan.

Texans Living with HIV Network: Vargas said there is a conference call this evening, looking at planning Texas Advocacy Day for 2019.

**Announcements:** See the attached flyer about the 2018 Road 2 Success emergency preparedness presentations.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 1:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria Williams, Director

Date 07/30/18

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