# 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, October 10, 2019

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

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	OTHERS PRESENT
Bruce Turner, Chair	Veronica Ardoin, excused	Franaldo Curl, HCPH
Tana Pradia, Secretary	Ted Artiaga, excused	Shelby Johnson, AETC/BCM
	Rosalind Belcher, excused	Shabaura Perryman, Merck
Tony Crawford	Ahmier Gibson	Anina Rajmohan, AHF
Bobby Cruz	Gregory Hamilton, excused	Skeet Boyle, Greeter
Johnny Deal	Allison Hesterman, excused	
Ronnie Galley	Arlene Johnson	STAFF PRESENT
Angela F. Hawkins	J. Hoxi Jones, excused	Ryan White Grant Administration
Dawn Jenkins	Mel Joseph, excused	Carin Martin
Daphne L. Jones	Peta-gay Ledbetter, excused	Heather Keizman
Denis Kelly	Holly McLean, excused	
Tom Lindstrom	Niquita Moret	The Resource Group
Rodney Mills	John Poole	Sha'Terra Johnson-Fairley
Allen Murray	Crystal Starr	Crystal Townsend
Matilda Padilla	Carol Suazo	
Shital Patel		Office of Support
Faye Robinson		Tori Williams
Pete Rodriguez		Amber Harbolt
Imran Shaikh		Diane Beck
Gloria Sierra		
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Call to Order: C. Bruce Turner, Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:16 p.m.

During the opening remarks, Turner thanked Cecilia Oshingbade and those who worked with her to host the 2019 Committee Cross Trainings. In the past, this has been valuable to new members and others. The attendance was not as robust as it has been in years past, but that may have been due to the heat and

a number of other competing events, such as the flooding that resulted from Tropical Storm Imelda. Turner then called for a Moment of Reflection.

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

**Approval of the Minutes:** <u>Motion #2</u>: it was moved and seconded (Hawkins, Galley) to approve the September 12, 2019 minutes with one correction, it was Murray's birthday not Kelly's. **Motion Carried.** Abstentions: Robinson, Sierra.

Training: Trauma-Informed Care: Aly Jacobs, Houston Area Women's Center, presented the attached training. She distributed hotline cards in English and Spanish.

**Public Comment and Announcements**: Shabaura Perryman, Merck, said that they have two new products. They have their first single pill regimen for those who are new to therapy, Delstrigo and Pifeltro which is for use in combination with other HIV medications.

### **Reports from Committees**

Comprehensive HIV Planning Committee: Daphne L. Jones, Chair, reported on the following: FY 2020 Houston Health Department Community Health Improvement Plan Update: Camden Hallmark provided an update on the Houston Health Department's (HHD) Community Health Improvement Plan, including objectives aligned with the 2017 Comprehensive Plan. Please see the attached presentation.

Epidemiological Profile: The Committee reviewed and offered content feedback on drafts of Chapter 5 (Profile of People Who Are Out of Care in the Houston Area).

Needs Assessment Progress: As of 9/23/19, 572 surveys have been collected. This is 97% of the minimum target sample size. Harbolt added that as of 10/02/19 the number of surveys collected is 573.

Quarterly Committee Report: Please see the attached quarterly committee report.

# Affected Community Committee: Rodney Mills, Co-Chair, reported on the following:

FY 2020 Standards of Care and Performance Measures: The Committee hosted a consumer-only workgroup meeting to provide input into the FY 2020 Standards of Care and Performance Measures. The results of the workgroup will be shared with the Quality Improvement Committee in October and will be reflected in the recommendations that will be sent forward from the Quality Improvement Committee in November. Many thanks to Samantha Bowen and Reachelian Ellison for facilitating the workgroup meeting.

Final 2019 Meetings for Review of the FY 2020 Standards of Care and Performance Measures: The final 2019 meetings to review and provide input into the FY 2020 Standards of Care and Performance Measures are scheduled for the following dates:

- 2 pm, Tues., Oct. 15, 2019 Quality Improvement Committee Meeting
- 12 noon, Thurs., Nov. 7, 2019 Ryan White Steering Committee Meeting
- 12 noon, Thurs., Nov. 14, 2019 Ryan White Planning Council Meeting

All are invited to attend or send public comment for review at these meetings.

2019 Community Events: See the attached list of 2019 Community Events.

2019 Greeters: See the attached list of 2019 Greeters. Again, Mills extended heartfelt thanks to those who greet our guests as they arrive and help them feel comfortable at our meetings.

## Quality Improvement Committee: No report.

Priority and Allocations Committee: No report.

Operations Committee: Ronnie Galley, Co-Chair, reported on the following:

Election of 2020 Officers: See the attached policy regarding the Election of Officers. Please note that nominations may be submitted to the Director of the Office of Support up until the end of the November Steering Committee meeting. After that time, nominations will be added from the floor the day of the election, which is December 12, 2019. Before the election, each nominee must submit a brief written description of their qualifications for the office they are seeking and prepare a short presentation describing their qualifications.

Youth Participation in the Planning Council: The Operations Committee would like to work with youth from AIDS Foundation Houston's youth program, possibly DeBakey High School and others to start a Ryan White Youth Committee. The Youth Committee will be by, for and about youth. The purpose will be to advise the Council on how to get input from and design services for youth living with HIV. One idea that the Committee can explore is developing a Project LEAP program for youth.

Youth Participation in the Planning Council: <u>Motion #3:</u> Approve a pilot project to start a Youth Committee that will be made up of youth and will advise the Planning Council on how to get input from and design services for youth living with HIV. Ask the Priority and Allocations Committee to allocate \$3,000 from October unspent funds if needed to support the pilot project. Motion Carried.

2020 Council Membership: The Committee interviewed three Council applicants on September 17, 2019 and may interview additional applicants at their October meeting.

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 information about PrEP.

Molecular HIV Surveillance Forum 09/18/19: Murray said that he and Williams attended this forum. He is less concerned after hearing that they are aware of potential problems that could occur because of the program. It was very informative.

Ryan White Part C Urban and Part D: Jenkins said that there is technical assistance available for all Ryan White recipients regarding the use of 340B money: <a href="https://www.fiscalhealthHIV.org">www.fiscalhealthHIV.org</a> or 202-507-4739.

#### **Updates from Task Forces**

African American: Johnson-Fairley said the group is meeting tomorrow at noon.

**Latino:** Sierra said they participated in the Fiestas Patrias parade and handed out about 400 bags with HIV related information.

Youth: Sierra said they are planning a vendor fair in January.

**Project PATHH:** Deal said that they will meet next Saturday.

HIV and Aging Coalition: Turner said the next meeting will be on October 21st; the topic will be Trogarzo.

**Texas HIV Medication Advisory Committee:** Turner said that that they will meet on October 18th. The meeting is available to view online.

**Positive Women's Network (PWN):** Pradia said they will have an event on 10/19/19 in observance of National Day of Action to End Violence Against Women Living with HIV. There are flyers available in the Office of Support.

**Texas Black Women's Initiative:** Johnson-Fairley said they will have a team meeting next Thursday. If anyone is interested in attending please let her know.

**END HIV Houston:** Townsend said that the Houston Health Department received the notice of grant award of \$300,000 for year one. She thanked everyone who donated for travel expenses for training.

Texans living with HIV Network: Pradia said that they will meet next Thursday.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 1:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wictoria Williams, Director

Draft Certified by Council Chair:

Date 11/07/19

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Council Voting Records for October 10, 2019

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