

PLANNING COMMISSION (COHAH) GENERAL BODY MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, APRIL 28, 2022 - 6:00PM

ZOOM CONFERENCE AND VIDEO CALL

ELECTRONIC – ONLINE MEETING

ATTENDEES/ROLL CALL

| COMMISSIONERS | PRESENT | ABSENT | COMMISSIONERS | PRESENT | ABSENT |
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| Adkins, Sarcia (Comm. Co-Chair) | X | | Hickson, DeMarc | | X |
| Barnes, Clover (Ex-Officio) | X | | Hutton, Kenya | X | |
| Blocker, Lakisa | | X | Keita, Ramatoulaye | | X |
| Brown, Charles | X | | Massie, Jenné | X | |
| Camara, Farima | | X | McClain, Lenora | X | |
| Carney, Misty | X | | Mekonnen, Betelhem (Comm. Vice-Chair) | X | |
| Cauthen, Melvin | X | | Murdaugh, Henry | X | |
| Clark, Lamont (Gov. Co-Chair) | X | | Olinger, Joshua | X | |
| Coker, Sharon | | X | Palmer, Kentrell | X | |
| Cooper-Smith, Marjorie | X | | Padmore, Gerald | X | |
| Copley, Mackenzie | X | | Penner, Murray | X | |
| Corbett, Wallace | | X | Pettigrew, Kenneth | X | |
| Cox, Derrick | X | | Rakhmanina, Natella | | X |
| Dean, Traci | X | | Rhodes, Stefanie | | X |
| DeMartino, Peter | X | | Sain, Philip | | X |
| Fogal, Doug | X | | Shaw-Richardson, Re'ginald | X | |
| Ford, Jasmine | X | | Torre, Andrew | X | |
| Forman, Lynn | X | | Wallis, Jane | | X |
| Gomez, Ana | | X | Washington, Antonio | X | |
| Gutierrez, Anthony | X | | Yocum, Ashley | | X |
| RECIPIENT STAFF | PRESENT | ABSENT | | PRESENT | ABSENT |
| Lago, Lena | X | | | | |
| Edwards, Jason | | X | | | |
| Fortune, Ebony | | X | | | |
| HAHSTA STAFF | PRESENT | ABSENT | COMMISSION STAFF | PRESENT | ABSENT |
| Fox, Anthony | | X | Bailey, Patrice | X | |
| Jefferson, Regina | X | | Johnson, Alan | X | |
| Varga, Leah | | X | | | |
| Cooper, Stacey | X | | | | |

HIGHLIGHTS

This is a draft version of the April 28, 2022, COHAH General Body Meeting Minutes which is subject to change. The final version will be approved on May 26, 2022.

AGENDA

| Item | Discussion |
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| Call to Order | The meeting was called to order by Lamont C. at 6:10 pm, followed by a moment of silence. |
| Welcome and Introductions/Roll Call | Attendance of Commissioners was taken via submission in the chat box. With 26 commissioners present for roll call, quorum was established. |
| Review and Adoption of the Agenda | Doug F. motioned to adopt the April 28, 2022, Agenda for the COHAH General Body Meeting. The agenda was approved unanimously via zoom poll vote. |
| Review and Approval of the Minutes | Gerald P. motioned to approve the March 24, 2022, meeting minutes. Lamont seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously via zoom poll vote. |
| Ryan white HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) Recipient Report/Updates | <p>Lena Lago presented the Recipient Report Monthly Fiscal and Recipient Report (Part A and Part A MAI Funding) Year 31 - Reporting Period: February 1 – 28, 2022</p> <p><u>FISCAL STATUS</u> For Part A and Part A MAI in February 2022, 27 of 39 invoices have been received.</p> <p>There are no service delivery challenges for DC, Maryland, or Virginia.</p> <p><u>PART A FISCAL SUMMARY</u> Part A expenditures are at 82% and should be at 100%.</p> <p>Service areas affected by unprocessed invoices are Early Intervention Services (EIS), Regional Early Intervention Services (REIS), Health Insurance Premium and Cost Sharing Assistance (HIPCSA), Home and Community-Based Health Services (HCBS), Medical Nutrition Therapy (MNT), Outreach Services (OS), Psychosocial Support Services (PSS), Medical Case Management (MCM), Linguistic Services (LS), and Medical Transportation Services (MT).</p> <p>Services spending 30% below expected are Early Intervention Services (EIS), Health Insurance Premium and Cost Sharing Assistance (HIPCSA), and Outreach Services (OS).</p> <p>There are no services spending at 30% above expected.</p> |

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| | <p><u>PART A MAI FISCAL SUMMARY</u> Part A MAI expenditures are at 72% and should be at 100%.</p> <p>Service areas affected by unprocessed invoices are Outpatient/Ambulatory Health Services (OAHS), Substance Abuse Services –Outpatient (SASO), and Mental Health Services (MH).</p> <p>The service spending 30% below expected is Substance Abuse Services – Outpatient (SASO)</p> <p><u>UBC FISCAL SUMMARY</u> UBC expenditures are at 91% and should be at 100%.</p> <p>There are no services areas affected by unprocessed invoices.</p> <p>The services spending 30% below expected is Substance Abuse Services – Outpatient (SASO).</p> <p><u>RECIPIENT REPORT</u></p> <p>Not all final invoices for the grant year have been received. The Recipient and team are working diligently to ensure funds are spent down and closed out as part of that process. HRSA has waived the underspending penalties for Parts A and B for FY 20 and FY 21 that were due to the COVID 19 pandemic.</p> <p>A reprogramming was made in the unit-based cost service categories of Outpatient/Ambulatory Health Services (OAHS) and Mental Health Services (MH) due to overspending. There was \$330,000 moved from Oral Health and \$575,000 moved from Regional Early Intervention Services; \$895,000 was added to OAHS and \$10,000 was added to MH.</p> <p>Lena indicated that HRSA will send the full award for the new grant period within the next two weeks.</p> |
| PrEP Protocol Implementation Tool Kit | <p>Anthony G., the Gilead liaison for DC and Virginia and Trina S. the Gilead liaison for Maryland and West Virginia gave a presentation on a Status Neutral Protocol Implementation Tool Kit. The Toolkit will help organizations with capacity building in starting or optimizing their protocols as it pertains to PrEP and Rapid Start (Rapid ART) treatments. They also presented on the difference between a protocol and an organizational process. The presentation was to be a springboard into hosting a summit that will bring best practices across the DMV that are implementing same day PrEP or Rapid Start (Rapid ART). The presentation can possibly be available upon request.</p> |
| Standing Committee Updates | <p><u>Research and Evaluation Committee (REC) reported by Lamont C.</u> The committee continues to work on the Needs Assessment. IRB approval has been given for the latest version of the Needs Assessment and the Consent Form. Both have been loaded into Redcap. Greg showed and</p> |

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| | <p>briefly walked everyone through the logistics of the completed Needs Assessment.</p> <p>Leah V. will submit a request to have the instrument and Consent Form translated into Spanish, Amharic, and French.</p> <p>A flyer for the Needs Assessment will be created with a QR code for the clients to go directly to the survey.</p> <p>The committee submitted a proposal to HRSA to purchase digital gift cards. HRSA had a few more questions. Lamont will revise the request and resubmit.</p> <p>Volunteers have been asked amongst GW students to assist with the survey instrument. Because of the great response, Alan will work with Leah to widdle down the list of applicants.</p> <p><u>Community Education and Engagement Committee (CEEC) reported by Jenné M.</u></p> <p>The committee has been finalizing the logistics for the DMV History Project training scheduled for May 19, 2022. The training is for those who are interested in interviewing and collecting oral narratives as well as other historical information that will showcase different people and places in the DMV and surrounding counties in Virginia and Maryland that were important to the HIV movement.</p> <p>The committee is also working on the D-Seeing project, a collaboration with Jenné's research team at GW, the DC CFAR, and Leah Varga at HAHSTA, to help with the Ending the Epidemic (EHE) activities. Jenné described the project as a one-year project to look at some of the barriers to HIV prevention and care for black heterosexual women and black gay, bi and other msm. The project will use photovoice which allows community members to document their experience through photos, pictures, drawings, and other types of expression, rather than the traditional ways of data collection. They will open enrollment to community co-researchers for this project. At the end of the project there will be an exhibit to share the stories and hopefully inform some of the work that is done in CEEC as well as some of the activities in DCHealth that effect prevention and care. Jenné will put the flyer about the project in the chatbox.</p> <p>The committee will begin to prepare for the PrEP Protocol Implementation Summit that was discussed in the presentation given by Anthony G. and Trina S., at the June CEEC meeting. If you are interested in helping to plan the event, please attend.</p> <p><u>Comprehensive Planning Committee report presented by Gerald P.</u></p> <p>The committee reviewed the financial report presented by the Recipient.</p> |
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| | <p>Sarcia Adkins of Housing Counseling Services discussed the housing programs available in the District of Columbia. Sarcia indicated that there has not been much evolution to the Ryan White Housing Service Standard because of HOPWA, the program established specifically to provide Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS.</p> <p>Gerald indicated that a data request will be discussed at the May 25th meeting and submitted on June 4th that will inform the PSRA process.</p> <p><u>Integrated Strategies Committee (ISC) reported by Melvin C.</u></p> <p>The committee reviewed the Health Equity Position Paper and focused on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employment – discussion about job seeking skills, etc. • Transportation resources- Montgomery County was not allowed to partner with Uber or Lyft. Cabs are not a viable option. They will have to consider more creative ways of transporting their clients. Highlighting the barriers to transit options in Montgomery County specifically may be a good idea for the paper. • Food and Food Insecurity service categories - Sara Beckworth from DC Health's Nutrition and Physical Fitness Bureau presented on Federal and local (DC) policy updates and possible recommendations/positions for the Health Equity Paper. Sara B. stressed the importance of having representation from the LGBTQ community at the table for these discussions. Federal and local assistance programs are ending due to COVID Food and Friends indicated that there has been a large increase in applications for food recently. • Ashley C. briefly shared some of the capabilities that LinkU has for both providers and consumers and discussed making sure there is enough provider representation. <p>Ashley also gave a quarterly update on the EHE programs. There are no new programs to discuss however, she gave updates on the programs that were already established.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PrEP Housing- The program offers up to 24 months of transitional housing for clients that are prescribed PrEP Contact Chantil Thomas for more information or if you know clients that could benefit from the program. • Clinical Care Coordination- HAHSTA is eliciting feedback from private medical providers on staffing needs for Social Workers, Registered Nurses, or other allied staff to strengthen the relationship with them with linkage to care and case management. HAHSTA is still working with the DC Department of Corrections to staff a Clinical Care Coordinator at the READY Center in the Post-COVID environment • SSP Vending Machines- Two providers have been funded to place six vending machines across the district. Three of the machines are scheduled to be manufactured within the next twelve weeks. Overdose data is being used to determine the locations. The |
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| | <p>machines will dispense safer injection kits, hygiene kits, and HIV self-test kits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wellness Program- Funded organizations are offering status neutral wellness services. Community DIS- Community DIS staff is embedded in a provider's office. <p>The committee will review three (3) more standards next month.</p> <p>The committee is hoping to get an update on the stigma tool presented by Ken Pettigrew.</p> <p>The committee is working on a HIV podcast project with DC, Prince Georges, and Montgomery Counties collaboratively. The team is currently looking for a host.</p> |
| Commission Administrative Business – Things to Do | <p>There was a vote to have Jane Wallis as the new COHAH Vice Chair. Jane had a family emergency and was not present. She submitted a statement to Lamont to read on her behalf. Lamont launched the poll for the vote. Jane was voted in unanimously as the new COHAH Vice Chair. Betelhem M. will move up to the Community Co-Chair.</p> |
| Old Business | N/A |
| New Business | <p>Kimberly Scott Director of the Ryan White Programs at the Virginia Department of Health gave an update on Unified Client Eligibility. In alignment with PCN 2102 from HRSA that removed the six (6) month recertification requirement and gave the recipient that ability to decide the frequency for doing eligibility assessments, VDH has decided to have one assessment for all Ryan White services including ADAP and recertify clients every 24 months. VDH has begun to use a new client data collection system called Provide Enterprise and provides weekly technical assistance to Ryan White providers.</p> <p>Kimberly also indicated that Virginia Medicaid is resuming their enrollment for beneficiaries for health care coverage with the conclusion of the public health emergency declaration. VMAS is asking people to send in their updated information via the Virginia website or call 855- 242-8282 or their local health departments to submit updates.</p> <p>VDH received a partial award from HRSA and hopes the full award will come in a couple of weeks.</p> |
| ANNOUNCEMENTS/OTHER DISCUSSION | |
| <p>Melvin announced that Montgomery County will have a social worker and a nurse practitioner position available soon.</p> <p>Kimberly announced that VDH is hiring for several positions as well.</p> | |

Misty C. announced that the Maryland ADAP was part of the Maryland Department of Health network outage however, they have made progress on their operations. A blast notice will come out tomorrow about the updates.

HANDOUTS

- Planning Commission (COHAH) Meeting Agenda April 28, 2022
- Planning Commission (COHAH) Meeting Minutes, March 24, 2022
- Monthly Fiscal and Recipient Report (Part A and Part A MAI Funding) Year 31 – Reporting Period: February 2022

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| MEETING ADJOURNED | 7:45pm | NEXT MEETING | THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 2022 6:00pm to 8:00pm ZOOM CONFERENCE AND VIDEO CALL |
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