

INTEGRATED STRATEGIES COMMITTEE (ISC)

MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY – MARCH 27, 2019 – 1:00PM TO 3:00PM

DC HEALTH-HAHSTA - 899 N. CAPITOL ST., NE; 4TH FLOOR; WASHINGTON, DC 20002

ATTENDEES/ROLL CALL					
COMMISSIONERS	PRESENT	ABSENT	GUESTS	PRESENT	ABSENT
Sarcia Adkins	Cc		Naomi Seiler	Cc	
Farima Camara	CC		Rachel Throm	X	
Melvin Cauthen		X	Anne Wiseman	X	
Ana Gomez	Cc				
Kenya Hutton	Cc				
Rama Keita		X			
Dennis McBride		X			
Kaleef Morse	X				
Jane Wallis	X				
Jennifer Zoerkler	X				
HAHSTA/ ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT REPRESENTATIVES	PRESENT	ABSENT	COMMISSION SUPPORT STAFF	PRESENT	ABSENT
Leah Varga			Patrice Bailey	X	
Laura Whitaker	X		Lamont Clark	X	

AGENDA	
Item	Discussion
Call to Order	Meeting called to order 1:15pm by Kaleef M. followed by a moment of silence. Attendees introduced themselves.
Review and Approval of the Minutes	Jennifer Z. moved to approve the February 27, 2019 minutes. The motion was seconded and approved.



Ending the HIV Epidemic: A Plan for America (Update from National HIV Prevention Conference)

- Kaleef M. discussed some of the things he gleaned from the National HIV Prevention Conference. Of note he discussed:
- Beginning with a review of the *'Ending the HIV Epidemic: A Plan for America'* he noted that the plan was being worked on for months prior to the State of the Union Address.
 - The government is asking for over \$280 Million to run the initiative (not approved yet) and CDC has set aside over \$30 Million to launch the plan in April or May.
 - People of the community were wondering why there was no input sought from them. As a result, there will be listening sessions in each of the 48 jurisdictions and 7 States where the community will be able to provide feedback.
 - The roll out will be in already existing systems.
 - The 'Health Force' will be CDC employees who are detailed and sent to the areas to help support the launch. They will work with existing health bodies.
 - There will need to be new 10 year plans, not 90-90-90-50 plans.
 - SAMHSA and HUD was disconnected from the process and discussions at the conference.
 - The federal government is committed to making this happen in a collaborative manner.
 - They federal government wants to see the states change their criminalization laws.

Baron Bell joined the conversation and provided an overview of HUD's role in HIV prevention. Baron noted that in 2016 HUD changed Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA) to provide funding to jurisdictions based on living cases of HIV as opposed to the old formula that provided funding based on cumulative cases. The District of Columbia was not supposed to be affected by that change. He noted that in general HOPWA programs are popular in major cities and now that people are living much longer, it affects the availability of housing opportunities. In response they are looking to help provide other supportive services including services such as case management and job training/workforce development services. Kaleef stressed that Housing (HAHSTA) needs to collaborate with the COHAH meetings to leverage funds in order to help make an optimal system regionally.

Kaleef also noted that one program that peaked his interest at the conference was around HIV Care Coordination. He noted that in New York City they have a program that they are able to bill under Medical Case Management. He also noted a program in Atlanta that helps to encourage and support people who are trying to (or are) undetectable.

<p>Presentation: Regional Early Intervention Services (EIS) Proposal</p>	<p>Kaleef walked the members through a presentation on Regional EIS. This presentation was given at the COHAH retreat and the February 28, 2019 COHAH General Body Meeting.</p> <p>He noted that an RFA will be released soon and the expectation is that there will be around \$8,000,000 in funding available.</p>		
<p>Service Standards for HIV Services Discussion</p>	<p><i>EIS Service Standard</i> Kaleef provided the committee with a draft copy of a draft service standard for EIS and stated that he'd liked the committee to look through the document and begin to build the service standard around what EIS should look like in this EMA.</p> <p><i>Other Service Standards</i> Kaleef stated that the committee has to consider the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What are some specific areas that should be overarching in our Standards? (such as for U=U, Trauma-Informed Approaches, Cultural Awareness/Flexibility, hours, etc.); and - What would Service Standards for "Prevention" Services look like? 		
<p>ANNOUNCEMENTS/OTHER DISCUSSION</p>			
<p>Jennifer Z. asked if there was money available to advertise COHAH. Kaleef said he would ask Jose Au Lay (HRSA Project Manager) if that was allowable.</p>			
<p>HANDOUTS</p>			
<p>Agenda – March 27, 2019 Minutes – February 27, 2019 Ending the HIV Epidemic: A Plan for America Regional EIS Presentation Draft 2019 EIS Service Standards</p>			
<p>MEETING ADJOURNED</p>	<p>3:00 PM</p>	<p>NEXT MEETING</p>	<p>April 17, 2019 @ 1:00pm DC Health-HAHSTA 899 N. Capitol St. NE; 4th Floor Washington, DC 20002</p>