



Metropolitan Washington Regional Ryan White Planning Council			Meeting Minutes
Standing Committee	Planning Council		
Meeting Title - Type	Monthly Meeting		
Date / Time	February 28, 2013	5:15 pm-8:00 pm	
Location/Room	441 4 th Street, NW Rm. 1107 Washington DC		

ATTENDEES/ROLL CALL					
Planning Council Members	Present	Absent	Planning Council Members	Present	Absent
Austin, Toby	x		Hixon, O. Xavier		x
Bailey, Steve	x		Hoover, David	x	
Bailous, Stephen	x		Jackson, Herbert		x
Bishop, Henry		x	Kelly, Renee		x
Black, Ralph	Resigned		Marachelian, Alis	x	
Blackmon, Alexis		x	Moore, Tarsha	x	
Brown, James	x		Morrow, Lora	x	
Callahan, Keith	x		Pilskaya, Anna	Resigned	
Cameron, Martha	x		Purdy, David		x
Cauthen, Melvin	x		Roberts-Njoku, Cornett	x	
Chinn, Barbara	x		Santirosa, Yolanda	x	
Davis, Reginald		x	Scheraga, Ronald	x	
Deely, Maureen	x		Schlosberg, Claudia	x	
Dunnington, Geno	x		Scruggs, Linda	Resigned	
Fischer, Mark	EA		Smith, E. Robert	x	
Fon, Shella		x	Smith, Tyranny		x
Franks-Dunbar, Sharon	x		Solan-Pegler, Nicolette	x	
Frazier, Debra	x		Spears-Johnson, Dedra		x
Goforth, Justin	x		Swanda, Ron	x	
Hawkins, Patricia	x				
Administrative Agent Representatives	Present	Absent	Administrative Agent Representatives	Present	Absent
Agar, Tim	x		Ramey, Devi	x	
Puranik, Rashmi		x	Simmons, Michelle		x
Logistical/Technical Support			Logistical/Technical Support		
Harris, Sharron	x		Newman, Sherryl - BCA	x	
Whitaker, Ashley - BCA	x		Weatherspoon, Octavia - BCA	x	
Hargrove, Javonnica - BCA	x				



HAHSTA Staff		Present	Absent	PC Staff		Present	Absent
Freehill, Gunther		x		Babb, Donald		x	
Pappas, Gregory		x					
Guest							
Marshall Rountree		Ronald Morgan		William McColl		Rebekah Horowitz	
Rudolph DeMeritte		William Rivera		Juan DeCosta		Donna Marshall	
Bobbie Smith		Brandon Nichols		George Miller		Paul Semfufort	
Lenny Recuperero		Terry Davis		Kermit Turner			
Ben Maramara		Wallace Corbett		Anthony Avery			

HIGHLIGHTS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Presentations: ACA & Medicaid in States of the EMA ○ PC Chair Report ○ Grantee Report ○ Motion #1: Approve the Reprogramming Request from Northern Virginia (effective 3-1-2013) ○ Motion #2: Communicate PC's One Drug Per Class Concern to DC HBX

AGENDA	
Item	Discussion
Public Comment	There were no Public Comments.
Call to Order	The meeting was called to order by Stephen Bailous, Chair at 5:44 pm.
Review and Approval of the Agenda	It was moved by Geno Dunnington and 2 nd by Keith Callahan to approve the agenda. The agenda was approved by consensus.
Review and Approval of the Minutes	It was moved by Keith Callahan and 2 nd by Robert Smith to approve the January 2012 Minutes. The minutes were approved by consensus with 1 abstention.
Chair Report	<p>Executive Retreat with HAHSTA Mr. Bailous reported that Part 2 of the Executive Retreat went well, and he highlighted some of the topics that were discussed at the retreat. He noted that the majority of the time was spent discussing the Priority Setting Resource Allocation (PSRA) process. Also, there was some discussion on how the formula is allocated, however, due to changes that may occur as a result of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) a decision was made to keep the formula as it currently is and the topic will be revisited. Also, there was discussion on the MOU. In addition, Mr. Bailous mentioned that Dr. Pappas stated that there were two positive births in the District, and there was a discussion on possible approaches to address this issue.</p> <p>Status of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Updates for GY23 In reference to the MOU, Mr. Bailous stated that the comment period for comments or suggestion will close tomorrow at the close of business. He urged</p>



	<p>members to send any comments or suggestions by the stated date.</p> <p>Recertification Update and Signing of Compliance Documents</p> <p>Mr. Bailous explained the recertification and signing of the compliance documents process. According to the Reimbursement Policy this occurs every year before March 1st, however, this year we are late. So, at the March Planning Council meeting, the BCA Support Staff will have packets for each member that will contain the compliance documents. Planning Council members should sign the documents at the meeting and return them to the BCA Support Staff before leaving the meeting. Also, at this time the BCA Support Staff will accept documents for recertification for reimbursement. However, if members have copies of documents prior the Planning Council meeting, Ashley Whitaker or Javonnia Hargrove will accept them at any of the meetings.</p>
<p>Presentations</p>	<p>There were two speakers at the meeting. The first speaker was William McColl, Political Director of AIDS United. He educated the committee on the Affordable Care Act (ACA) Implementation and Impact on Access to Care. Some of the topics included in Mr. McColl’s presentation were as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Timeline of the HIV Care Environment ➤ Ryan White Care Act ➤ Next Reauthorization ➤ Stages of HIV Care ➤ Crisis in Health Care ➤ Estimates of Insurance Coverage Among HIV Patients, 2010 ➤ ACA Implementation ➤ Key Policy and Research Questions ➤ Essential Health Benefits (EHB) ➤ Educate Yourself <p>There were comments and questions regarding Mr. McColl’s presentation. Some questions asked were about clarification on the term insurance rescission, whether states dictate the essential health benefits, affordability of health insurance coverage and workforce issues. Some comments given were about the requirements in the ACA in that they do not coincide with the Public Health Service Guidelines for HIV Care and with prescription drugs; there is concern that the formulary will have only one drug per class which does not work for HIV. So, are states going to adopt the State ADAP rules?</p> <p>The second speaker was Claudia Scholsberg, J.D., Director Health Care Policy and Research Administration, Department of Health Care Finance and Planning Council member. Ms. Scholsberg provided a summary on the upcoming Medicaid changes and the Exchange Status for states in the Eligible Metropolitan Area (EMA) as it relates to the ACA. One key change that Ms. Scolberg noted in the new health care reform act is the expansion of Medicaid coverage to childless adults up to 133% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). DC has a very generous Medicaid program and the jurisdiction will cover childless adults with income up to 200% of the FPL, whereas MD will cover incomes up to 133%. Steve Baily added that Virginia decided to include childless adults. In addition, the new health care reform act</p>



	<p>created health insurance exchanges that will help people purchase different types of health coverage. Each of the health plans will include an essential set of benefits. DC and MD have opted to implement a state-based exchange, whereas VA will participate in the federal exchange in which benefits will be managed by the state. Also, the District has set up a Health Benefits and Exchange Authority Executive Board (HBX) to manage the insurance exchanges.</p> <p>In reference to Ms. Schlosberg’s presentation, some questions asked were about whether or not states have the option to delay Medicaid expansion, whether or not the level of coverage can be changed in emergency situations and whether or not supplemental plans will be offered. Also, there was a concern as to how case managers will be trained in order to educate clients. In addition, Martha Cameron suggested that an Ad Hoc Committee be formed in order to update members on the health care reform as information becomes available.</p> <p>Mr. Bailous thanked both speakers as the Planning Council members along with community members and guests applauded them.</p>
<p>Grantee Report</p>	<p>Part A Grant for GY22</p> <p>Gunther Freehill noted that today is the last day for GY22. The new grant year, GY23 starts March 1, 2013. Expenses reflected on the report in the binder are through December 2012. Close out is due to HRSA the end of June. As discussed at Executive Committee meeting last week, based on an emerging need in reference to AIDS drugs in VA; HAHSTA created a mechanism for unspent funds to be allocated to ADAP in VA. Mr. Freehill will report the total amount of the allocation near the near of the year.</p> <p>HRSA Notice of Partial Funding for GY23</p> <p>Mr. Freehill reviewed the HRSA Notice of Grant Award (NOGA) with the committee. The NOGA gives the dollar amount and as discussed in previous meetings, this is a partial award, and over the course of the year HAHSTA receives updates. Mr. Freehill explained that there are three parts to the award, formula, supplemental and MAI. He noted that HSRA informed HAHSTA to expect 50% of formula and 50% of MAI. Later, HAHSTA received notification from HERA to expect to receive 45% of formula and 45% of MAI. However, HAHSTA received 50% of formula and 45% of MAI. Mr. Freehill reviewed the Transmission of a HRSA Notice of Grant Award email that provided more clarification as it relates to the NOGA. The email included a chart that compared this NOGA and the current year allocation. Also, the chart highlighted the Planning Council budget and available funding.</p> <p>There were questions as to how sequestration may impact program cuts, and whether there are contingency plans. Also, Ron Swanda asked for background information as to the reason why HAHSTA is on restrictive drawdowns as indicated on the NOGA, page 3, Terms and Conditions, bullet #4. In addition, he asked when the restriction will be lifted. Mr. Freehill stated that the restriction is the result of a 2008 audit, and HRSA has not notified the agency as to when the restriction will be lifted, although HASTA has asked. He noted HAHSTA only has to provide more documentation before they are reimbursed and he does not view this as a bad</p>



	thing.
FOAC Reports	Mr. Bailous directed the committee to review the FOAC Report in Tab 4 in the binder.
Jurisdictional Reports	<p>District of Columbia & West Virginia</p> <p>Mr. Bailous directed the Committee to review the DC & West Virginia’s reports in Tab 3 in the binder. Mr. Freehill noted that he did not have any additions to the reports.</p> <p>Northern VA</p> <p>Mr. Bailous directed the Committee to review Northern Virginia’s Report in Tab 5 in the binder. Tim Agar noted that he did not have any additions to the report.</p> <p>Suburban Maryland</p> <p>Mr. Bailous directed the Committee to review Suburban Maryland’s Report in Tab 6 in the binder. Nicolette Solan-Pegler asked Devi Ramey, Administrative Agent Representative for MD about the plans for the Request for Proposal (RFP) this year. Ms. Ramey stated that are doing the 7 month continuation; same as DC.</p>
GY22 Operating Budget	Mr. Bailous noted that the Operating Budget is located in Tab 6, in the binder, and the Planning Council is monitoring the budget. He added that the Planning Council is well within budget at this time.
2013 PSRA Process Timeline	Mr. Bailous stated that starting in April thru August the Planning Council meetings will start at 5:00 pm.
Motions	<p>Motion: Approve Revised Standing Committee Protocols</p> <p>Mr. Bailous brought the reprogramming request from Northern Virginia (effective 3-1-2013) forth as moved by the Executive Committee. Mr. Bailous explained that Northern Virginia is trying to consolidate funds so that they will have one service category that is funded both out of Part A and Part B. Virginia would like to move dollars for particular services, highlighted on the motion form so that services can be funded all out of Part A and or funded out Part B. It is difficult to account and administer amounts when some services are funded by Part A and some are funded by Part B.</p> <p>Motion #1: So moved by Dr. Patricia Hawkins and seconded by Keith Callahan for the Planning Council to approve reprogramming request from Northern Virginia.</p> <p>One concern that was raised by Ms. Solan-Pegler was whether standards are the same for Part B in Virginia as it is for Part A. In order words, are there going to be any disparity between VA MD and DC clients? Steve Bailey mentioned that there are three service categories that the Planning Council needs to review. The three service categories are health insurance payments, EFA-only food vouchers and oral health. There will not be any differences in standards for health insurance payments and EFA. However, oral health should be reviewed. Dr. Hawkins noted, from discussion at the roundtable, that there are slight differences in food vouchers and suggested that research be conducted</p>



	<p>VOTE: In Favor – 17; Oppose-1; Abstain -4 THE MOTION IS PASSED.</p> <p>Motion: Communicate PC’s One Drug Per Class Concern to DC HBX Dr. Hawkins recommended that the Planning Council communicate their concerns about prescription drug; one drug per class with the DC HBX Board. Justin Goforth added that the motion should include asking the Board not to split fixed dose combination. Ms. Solan-Pegler added that MD and VA should be included in the recommendation. Mr. Freehill urged the committee to think about the policy issue</p> <p>Motion #2: So moved by Dr. Patricia Hawkins and seconded by Keith Callahan for the Planning Council to communicate one drug per class concern to DC HBX.</p> <p>Justin Goforth added that the motion should include asking the Board not to split fixed dose combination. Nicolette Solan-Pegler added that MD and VA should include in the recommendation. Mr. Freehill urged the committee to think about the policy issue in voicing their concerns.</p> <p>VOTE: In Favor – 21; Oppose-0; Abstain -0 THE MOTION IS PASSED. However, Mr. Bailous stated that he will work on revising the motion to ensure that all of the concerns raised are included in the motion.</p>
<p>Standing Committee Minutes & Updates</p>	<p>Bylaws, Policies & Procedures A report was not given.</p> <p>Membership A report was not given</p> <p>Consumer Access Geno Dunnington noted the importance of the committee looking into a Disaster Relief plan in light of the debt ceiling crisis.</p> <p>Needs Assessment & Comprehensive Planning Nicolette Solan-Pegler reported that the committee met with Epidemiologists from all of the jurisdictions, and they received good information. The next committee meeting will be held on March 12, 2013 at 10:30 am and developing the Client Survey will be on the agenda.</p> <p>Care Strategies and Coordination of Standards (CSCS) Dr. Patricia Hawkins reported that the next CSCA meeting will be held on March 12, 2013 at 1:00 pm and there will be further discussion on the affordable care act. Also, the committee will be planning for the Medical/Non-Medical Case Management Roundtable that will be held in April.</p> <p>Fiscal Oversight & Allocations (FOAC) A report was not given.</p>
<p>ANNOUNCEMENTS</p>	



- Maureen Deely announced that the MD PLWHA meeting will be held March 11, 2013 at Dennis Avenue. There will be a presentation on STD and learn your labs.

HANDOUTS

Agenda dated 2/28/2013
 Minutes dated 1/31/2013
 Presentation Slides: ACA & Medicaid in States of the EMA
 Grantee/DC Fiscal Report
 EMA-Wide and Jurisdictional FOAC Reports through December 2012
 NOVA FOAC MAI Report through December 30, 2012
 NOVA FOAC Part A Report through December 30, 2012
 Suburban Maryland Regular and MAI FOAC Report through December 30, 2012
 Suburban Maryland Actual Expenses Incurred through December 30, 2012
 GY22 Spending YTD
 GY23 Standing Committee Work Plan & Budget Forecast
 2013 PSRA for GY24 Action Steps & Timeline
 Motion #1: Approve Virginia Reprogramming Request
 Motion #2: Communicate PC's One Drug Per Class Concern to DC HBX
 January - December 2013 Planning Council Calendars

ACTION ITEMS – Open

#	Item	Assigned To	Date Assigned	Due Date	Status

MOTIONS

#	Motion	Motioned By	2 nd By	Approved By
1.	So moved for the Planning Council to approve Suburban Maryland Reprogramming Request.	Dr. Hawkins	Keith Callahan	VOTE: In Favor - 17; Oppose-1; Abstain -4 THE MOTION IS PASSED.
2.	So moved for the Planning Council to communicate with the DC HBX about the one drug per class concern.	Dr. Hawkins	Keith Callahan	VOTE: In Favor - 21; Oppose-0; Abstain -0 THE MOTION IS PASSED.

MEETING ADJOURNED	8:08 pm
NEXT MEETING	March 28, 2013 at 5:00 pm Location: 441 4 th Street, NW Rm. 1107 Washington, DC. 20001