

**Metropolitan Atlanta HIV Health Services Planning Council**  
**Fulton County Dept. of Health & Wellness**  
**99 Jesse Hill Jr. Drive**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room**  
**Atlanta, GA 30303**  
**August 18, 2011**  
**9:00 a.m.**

**Voting Members Present**

Trevalle Ambrose  
Dwight Curry Anderson  
Robert Anderson  
Deb Bauer  
Sonya Chapman  
Teresa Connell  
Larry Cook, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair  
Dazon Dixon Diallo, Chair  
Robert Di Vito  
Reggie Dunbar, III  
Gene Farber  
Chris Fields  
Dolph Ward Goldenburg  
Jeff Graham  
Tracie Graham  
Carolyn Hodge - Armstrong

Robert MacLean, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair  
Larry Lehman  
Harvinder Makkar  
Jeffrey Mitchell  
Walter Moore  
Jacqueline Muther  
Jeanette Nu'Man  
Necaela Penn  
David Reznik  
Kenneth Robinson  
Brenda Russell  
Bruce Stagner  
Carolyn Stephens  
Sean Williams  
Hermeyone Wilson  
Del'Rosa Winston - Harris

**Voting Members Not Present**

Antoinette Barnes  
Mary Basil  
Tiffany Burgess  
Jessica Cole  
Mary Cowans  
Linda Felix  
Marvin Ghourm  
Shantrell Jackson  
Patrick Kelly  
Darrell Wayne Latin  
Jacqueline Lee

Ruby Lewis Hardy  
Katherine Lovell  
Nicole Roebuck  
Isaac Russell  
Charles Shackelford  
Sanjay Sharma  
Laura Siesko  
Moneta Sinclair  
Daniele Thrope  
Stephanie Laster

The Planning Council meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Chair, Dazon Dixon Diallo. Ms. Diallo introduced Mr. Robert MacLean as the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair of the Planning Council.

**A motion was made, seconded, and passed to adopt the August 18, 2011 agenda.**

**A motion was made, seconded, and passed to adopt the July 21<sup>st</sup> Planning Council minutes.**

**Consumer Caucus:** Trevalle Ambrose - The Consumer Caucus will meet on Thursday, August 18, 2011 at 1237 Ralph David Abernathy from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. The Caucus will review the Planning Council Standard Operating Procedures.

**Grantee Update:** Kandace Carty - The Grantee's Office received a Notice of Grant Award for FY 2011 in the amount of \$20,253,860 which includes Formula, Supplemental and MAI funding. Compared to the FY 2010 award (\$20,336,854), the FY2011 award shows a net reduction in funding in the amount of \$82,994. There was an increase in Formula (\$371,760), a decrease in Supplemental (\$714,233), and an increase in MAI (\$259,479). Michelle Fleetwood was introduced as the new Ryan White Staff Project Officer.

**Priorities Committee - Action Item:** Robert Di Vito - The Priorities Committee met in June and July and heard presentations from the Georgia Department of Community Health, Southeast AIDS Training and Education Center (SEATEC), Committees and individuals.

**2012 Service Category Ranking**

The Priorities Committee reviewed the information that was presented to them during the June 23<sup>rd</sup> and July 14<sup>th</sup> meetings and determined that limited information presented by SEATEC, the State, agencies and individuals provided no sufficient reason to change the current FY11 ranking.

1. Primary Care
2. Oral Health
3. AIDS Pharmaceutical Assistance
4. Case Management
5. Mental Health
6. Substance Abuse
7. Housing
8. Support Services
  - a. Food
  - b. Emergency Assistance
  - c. Psychosocial Support
  - d. Medical Transportation
  - e. Legal Services
  - f. Linguistic Services
  - g. Child Care
9. Quality Management
10. EIS- Early Intervention Services
11. Home Health
12. Hospice
13. Council Support

**A motion was made, seconded and passed to maintain the current FY2011 Priority Category ranking for FY 2012. Yes: 29 No: 0**

**FY 2012 Funding Amount** *(Based on allocations)*

The Committee reviewed the set categories (Primary Care, Quality Management and Council Support) and determined to retain the set amounts for FY 2012. The Committee was not informed of any additional funds that the Planning Council, AAOI or any other Committee will need for FY 2012. Jeff Graham, Public Policy

Chair, noted that the federal 2012 budget has not been set and he does not anticipate an increase in funding.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the FY 2011 total base projection (FY 2010 award minus \$850,000) as the FY 2012 base award. Yes: 29 No: 0

**FY2012 Funding Ranges**

The Committee reviewed the FY 2012 funding ranges and determined that it would be best to revisit FY 2011 funding ranges to determine FY 2012 ranges. After significant discussion, the Committee determined it would be best to take a conservative approach to establish funding ranges based on anticipated flat funding. The Committee recommended using the FY2010 award amount minus \$850,000 as the FY 2012 projection.

Additional language was added to the "Decrease of \$1 to \$250,000" range to clarify that a funding decrease will be divided based on funding allocation across all categories, including the set categories.

	Decrease of > \$250,000	Decrease of \$1 to: \$250,000	FY 12 Funding Allocations		Increase of \$1 to \$850,000	Increase of \$850,000 to \$1,150,000	Increase of > \$1.15M
Primary Care	Priorities Committee will need to discuss impact of decreased funding and whether new funding allocations are needed	Funding decrease will be divided based on funding allocation across all categories including the "Set" categories	\$10,071,200	SET	Funds proportionally allocated to all categories including Primary Care, Quality Management and Council Support categories	Priorities Committee will recommend to determine whether additional \$300,000 should be allocated to the State ADAP or HICP	Priorities Committee will recommend to consider the funding increase of \$1.15M
MAI			\$1,572,622				
Non MAI			\$8,398,832				
Oral Health			\$1,373,389				
AIDS Pharmct Asst			\$1,250,000				
ADAP			\$0				
Local			\$1,250,000				
Case Management			\$1,471,529				
Mental Health			\$1,342,715				
Substance Abuse			\$1,150,964				
Support Services			\$1,452,039				
Food			\$893,001.99	61.50% Of Support Services			
Emergency Assistance			\$43,561.17	3.00% Of Support Services			
Psychosocial Support			\$203,285.45	14.00% Of Support Services			
Medical Transport			\$87,122.34	6.00% Of Support Services			
Legal			\$92,382.53	6.50% Of Support Services			
Linguistic Svcs			\$101,642.73	7.00% Of Support Services			
Childcare			\$29,040.73	2.00% Of Support Services			
Quality Management			\$110,650	SET			
Housing			\$0				
Council Support	\$397,000	SET					
AACI	\$90,000.00						

A motion was made, seconded and passed to adopt the Priority Service category funding allocations and ranges. Yes: 29 No: 0

### **FY2012 Local Directives**

The Committee reviewed the FY2011 Local Directives and voted to retain the current FY2011 directives for FY 2012. (See Attachment)

**A motion was made, seconded and passed that the FY 2012 Local Directives remain the same as FY2011 Directives. Yes: 31 No: 0**

**AAOI Update:** Hermeyone Wilson - The theme for AAOI is "Our Community Our Responsibility". AAOI will be held on February 18<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012. AAOI held its first meeting on Thursday, July 28<sup>th</sup> at Absolute Care to start the planning process for the 2012 Initiative. AAOI has elected Paulette Campbell - Haase as the Client Services Chair; Demaris McDonald, Development Chair; Jeanette Nu'Man, Evaluation Chair; Tesha Tyson, Exhibits Chair; LaTonya Wilkerson, Logistics Chair; Barbara Heath, Outreach Chair; Jacqueline Lee, Program Chair; Kevin English, Publications Chair; Nichelle Nace, Registration Chair; Reggie Dunbar, III, Marketing Chair and Hazel Mitchell, Volunteers Chair. AAOI will meet on Thursday, August 25, 2011 from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. at Absolute Care located at 2140 Peachtree Rd N.W.

**AAOI Evaluation Update:** Jeanette Nu'Man - Three hundred and twenty-nine (329) individuals attended the 2011 AAOI. Two hundred and thirty-four (234) attended Saturday workshops and activities and 95 participated in Sunday workshops and activities. Thirty-eight percent 38% or (117) of the participants were female, 62% (212) male, and 4% (13) were transgendered. Two hundred and forty-one (241) participants completed the event evaluation form (70% of participants). Ninety-seven (97%) percent of registered individuals were seropositive. The remaining 2.8% were significant others and family members. The average length of diagnosis was 11 years with a range of being diagnosed within the first two months of 2011 to living with HIV/AIDS for 30 years. Fifty-one (51) percent of registered individuals had been living with HIV/AIDS for less than 10 years with the largest group (9%) diagnosed in 2010 or 2011. One hundred eighty-three (183) disclosed on their evaluation forms that they were living with HIV. The average length of time since diagnosis was 12.9 years with a range of newly diagnosed (0.5%) to 30 years (1%). 102 (63%) of respondents have been living with HIV for 10 years or more. Forty-nine percent (49%) reported that they were attending AAOI for the first time. There was a 41% increase in the number of participants attending the afternoon sessions on Saturday (morning attendance - 94 and 75; afternoon attendance - 94 and 95). The time slot with the lowest attendance rate was 9:00 - 12:00, the session following the morning general sessions. Though afternoon attendance was higher on Sunday, there was no significant difference in attendance rates.

### **Committee Updates:**

**Assessment Committee:** Jeanette Nu'Man - The Assessment Committee met and discussed the challenges of getting information on the pattern of health disparities and identifying people with disparate health outcomes within the Atlanta EMA. The Rollins School of Public Health at Emory will be contacted to determine if this data could be gathered through a graduate - level project. The Committee is also looking at the feasibility of utilizing a patient navigator system which uses the assistance of peers.

**Comprehensive Planning Committee:** No Report

**Council Procedures Committee:** Larry Lehman - The Council Procedures Committee will meet to review the Grievance Procedures.

**Evaluation Committee:** Walter Moore - The Evaluation Committee met to discuss the results of the provider surveys. A final report will be presented at the September Planning Council meeting.

**HOPWA Committee:** Dolph Ward Goldenburg - The Committee met on Wednesday, August 10<sup>th</sup> and discussed housing needs, gaps and barriers for people living with HIV/AIDS in the EMA. The survey was administered to the Consumer Caucus, agencies and medical providers. The HOPWA Committee will present the analysis at the September Planning Council meeting.

**Membership Committee:** Hermeyone Wilson - The New Membership drive will end on Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup>. The Committee will meet on Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup> to assign Voting and At- large members for the 2011- 2012 Planning Council.

**Public Policy Committee:** Jeff Graham - The Public Policy Committee met on Friday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> and drafted a letter to Dr. Brenda Fitzgerald that addresses the concerns of the Planning Council. Dr. Brenda Fitzgerald will not be able to meet to address the concerns until the state's investigation is complete. The projections for the 2012 budget will include major cuts coming forth. The Ryan White Treatment Extension Act will be up for reauthorization in 2013.

**Quality Management Committee:** Jacque Muther - The Quality Management Committee met on Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup> and will finalize the legal standards at a later meeting. The Committee has revised the Nutrition Indicators and is reviewing the language in Mental Health and Substance Abuse Indicators for consistency with the HAB measures.

**Public Forum:**

**Hermeyone Wilson:** The "Female Condom 2 Campaign" will launch this fall. Visit [www.FC2ATL.com](http://www.FC2ATL.com) for more information.

**Kenneth Robinson:** Fulton County Health and Wellness is offering "Together for Life", support group that meets every Tuesday from 5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

**Jeff Graham:** On Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m., the Atlanta Braves is hosting "Out in the Stands". A portion of the proceeds will benefit Georgia Equality.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.