

METROPOLITAN ATLANTA HIV HEALTH SERVICES PLANNING COUNCIL
Fulton County Department of Health & Wellness
4th Floor Conference Room
99 Jesse Hill Jr. Drive
Atlanta, GA 30303

August 21, 2014

Voting Members Present

Deb Bauer	Ken Lazarus, 2 nd Vice Chair
Jeronia Blue	Katherine Lovell
Sonya Chapman	Phyllis Malone
Dazon Dixon – Diallo, Chair	Jeanette Nu’Man
Gene Farber	Trevor Pearson, 1 st Vice Chair
Sharron Fickling	Nicole Roebuck
Charles Fuller	Terry Stidom
Mikki Hollinger	Peter Thibodeaux
Preti Kohle	Willie Lee Thomas
James Lark	Timothy Webb
Stephanie Laster	Norris Williams

Voting Members Not Present

Jim Bacon	Shirley Love
Hermeyone Bell	Makkar Harvinder
Walter Bradley	Albert Mitchell
Teresa Connell	Jacque Muther
Larry Cook	Tony Redmon
Cheryl Courtney Evans	David Reznik
Justin Daniels	Michael Robinson
Michael DeMayo	Lisa Roland
Robert Di Vito	Sanjay Sharma
Reggie Dunbar, III	Moneta Sinclair
Chris Fields	Tiajunna Thames
William Francis	Andrea Thraser
Jeff Graham	Masonia Traylor
Patrick Kelly	Sean Williams
Larry Lehman	Del’Rosa Winston
Ruby Lewis – Hardy	Timothy Young
John Eaton	

The Planning Council meeting was called to order at 9:02 am by Chair, Dazon Dixon Diallo.

The Chair opened the meeting by remarking that the Ryan White CARE Act is now 24 years old. She also stated that when we talk about this Planning Council it is inclusive whether you are living with HIV or working in this arena

The Chair thanked Larry Cook for his years of service to the Planning Council. He has resigned his position as Co-Chair. The Chair announced that she has appointed Ken Lazarus as the new Second Vice-Chair. She formally introduced Mr. Lazarus to the Planning Council.

The Chair welcomed several guests to the Planning Council meeting, including Vanessa Johnson, Positive Women's Network USA.

A motion was made by Trevor Pearson and seconded by Nicole Roebuck to adopt the August 21, 2014 Planning Council meeting agenda. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Trevor Pearson and seconded by Nicole Roebuck to adopt the July 17, 2014 Planning Council minutes. The motion carried.

James Lark moved to extend the September 2014 Planning Council meeting to 11:00 AM. The motion was seconded and carried.

Consumer Caucus—Timothy Webb, Consumer Caucus Co-Chair, provided the following update:

- The Consumer Caucus met on August 20th at AID Atlanta. The Caucus meets every third Wednesday before each Planning Council Meeting from 12:00-2:00 p.m.
- William Francis, Consumer Caucus Chair, has resigned from both the Caucus and the Planning Council. The Caucus will be looking for a new Co-Chair.
- Mr. Webb announced that there are additional positions open on the Caucus as well.
- The Planning Council Chair requested that the Consumer Caucus assign a representative to each Planning Council Committee.

Atlanta Area Outreach Initiative (AAOI)—Timothy Webb provided the AAOI update:

- The AAOI met last month and will meet again on August 28th from 2-4 PM at Absolute Care. The AAOI will continue to meet on the last Thursday of each month.
- The AAOI is seeking additional guidance from the Grantee regarding the FY14 initiative.

Grantee Update—Patrick Daly, Director, provided the following update:

- The Grantee released the Residual Request for Proposals on 8/7 for the final FY14 award and projected carry over. Applications were due to the Grantee no later than Noon on Wednesday August 20.
- Conditions of Award: The Grantee provided an update on 4 conditions of award that were all due in July/August.
 1. Final FY13 Progress Report-Completed and submitted

2. FY14 Program Terms report is due August 15. Includes a letter of concurrence for FY14 final allocations from the Planning Council Chair
 3. FY14 MAI Annual Plan-Completed and submitted
 4. FY13 Final expenditures and FFR, including Carry-Over request-Completed and submitted.
- The Grantee provided a reminder that the Fiscal Year 2015 Grant Application is due September 19. The HRSA TA session originally scheduled for 8/7 was cancelled due to technical difficulties.
 - Health Insurance Program (HIP): 3 agencies will receive funding for the medication co-insurance payment service: AID Atlanta, AID Gwinnett, and AIDS Healthcare Foundation. Based on the requests received, the Grantee will be obligating approximately 57% of the available funding and will monitor utilization. The Grantee will obligate additional funds based on utilization. The Grantee will request direction from the Planning Council later in the fiscal year if utilization is below expectations to redirect the remaining funds.
 - A fact sheet will be disseminated that describes how clients can access the Health Insurance Program. Initially, the information will be disseminated to Ryan White providers, other known private medical practices, the Ryan White website. A more robust plan will be developed.
 - The Grantee addressed questions and discussion regarding the HIP.
 - The Grantee announced that the Director's position has been filled. After serving as the Interim Director, Mr. Daly has accepted the offer and will serve as the new Director. There are a few vacancies in the Grantee's office; including the Assistant Director and Database Specialist (Renard McKenzie accepted a new position outside Fulton County Government). The Grantee will keep the Planning Council updated on the status of these recruitments.
 - The Chair announced that she would like to establish a working group and partner with the Grantee to address the ongoing implementation of the Affordable Care Act, the implementation of the new Health Insurance Program, and linkage and coordination strategies and solutions.

Committee Updates

Assessment Committee—Jeanette Nu'Man, Assessment Committee Chair, provided the following update:

- The Assessment Committee is working on the new consumer survey and is looking at service gaps
- Survey is expected to be completed in October
- The next meeting will be September 3rd from 9:30-11:30 at Positive Impact. The Committee meets the first Wednesday of each month at Positive Impact from 9:30-11:30 am.

Comprehensive Plan—Katherine Lovell, Comprehensive Plan Committee Chair, provided the following update:

- The Committee did not meet last month.
- The Committee will meet on September 10th at 9:30 at Grady IDP, room 354.

Council Procedures Committee—Dazon Dixon Diallo, Planning Council Chair, provided the following update:

- Larry Lehman, Council Procedures Committee Chair, was unable to attend today's Planning Council meeting.
- The Executive Committee received and reviewed the proposed revisions (DRAFT) to the Planning Council By-Laws.
- The Council Procedures Committee had presented a motion to the Executive Committee to approve and send the revised By-Laws to the Planning Council for a review period. Prior to being seconded, and after much discussion regarding the proposed revisions, the Council Procedures Committee Chair withdrew the motion.
- After additional extensive discussion regarding governance, consumer roles and responsibilities, proposed requirements for leadership positions (e.g., Committee Chairs and Co-Chairs, Vice Chairs, etc.), and other proposed revisions, a new motion was brought forth at the Executive Committee meeting. Larry Lehman moved to have the Executive Committee review the draft By-Laws revisions and submit any comments to the Council Procedures Committee no later than September 4, 2014. Trevor Pearson seconded the motion. After discussion, Dazon Dixon Diallo moved to amend the motion adding that the proposed revisions to the By-Laws are presented to the full Planning Council at the November meeting. Jeff Graham seconded the motion to amend. The motion to amend carried. After final discussion, the motion as amended carried.
- The Executive Committee will also review the Draft By-Laws to ensure that any inconsistencies are noted and corrected prior to being presented to the Planning Council.

Evaluation Committee—No Report

HOPWA Committee—James Lark, HOPWA Committee Chair, provided the following update:

- The HOPWA Committee met in August at the Grantee's Office and reviewed the HOPWA applications with the City of Atlanta (HOPWA Grantee) staff. Mr. Lark indicated that there were several new applicants.
- The Committee will meet again on October 16th at 1:00 PM at the Grantee's Office at 137 Peachtree Street SW, Atlanta.
- The Chair discussed changing the name of the HOPWA Committee to the *Housing Committee*. This may require a revision to the Planning Council By-Laws.

Membership Committee—Sandra Vincent, Planning Council Project Officer, provided the following update:

- Hermeyone Bell has resigned as the Membership Committee Chair.
- The current Planning Council membership drive ended on August 15th; however, applications are still being accepted due to challenges with the online system. The membership drive was advertised more broadly this year, with notices being sent to the full Planning Body, Public Health Districts within the EMA, EMA wide newspapers, Ryan White Part A funded agencies and community publications such as David Magazine.
- PSA were sent out from the CEO of Fulton County via FGTV. The media clip was also advertised on Social Media.
- Sandra reminded the Planning Council to Like/Follow the Planning Council on Facebook and Twitter.

Public Policy—No report.

Priorities Committee—Charles Fuller, Priorities Committee Co-Chair, provided the following update:

- The Priorities Committee completed its process and will meet as needed.

Quality Management—Nicole Roebuck, Quality Management Committee Chair, provided the following update:

- There are two upcoming Quality Management training sessions
 - 9/30/14 in Statesboro, GA
 - 10/2 in Atlanta, GA
 - Participating agencies are encouraged to include agency QM consumer representatives
- SEATEC is finishing the primary care chart reviews in September.
- The Quality Management Committee meets the first Thursday of each month at the Grady IDP from 10:00-12:00 in room 354. Next meeting will be September 4th.

Public Forum:

Timothy Webb announced the 1st Annual Brunch during Black Gay Pride Weekend at 75 Piedmont. The event will be hosted by NAESM and Impulse.

Dwight Anderson announced “Together for Life” Support group meets every Monday from 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at Fulton County Health Department. There will be a nutritional presentation from Open Hand. RSVPs are requested.

Dazon Dixon Diallo announced that tickets for the 20/20 Leading Women’s Society Award event will be available 9/1. The event recognizes the accomplishments of women living with HIV who are active leaders in the community. The event will be held at the Freight Depot in October.

Dazon Dixon Diallo also announced that the Positive Living conference will be held on 9/19 in Ft. Walton Beach, Florida. Additionally, the Positive Women USA Women's Leadership Summit, Southern Swarm, will be held on 9/17.

Nicole Roebuck announced that AID Atlanta has case management capacity and that they have hired 8 new case managers.

Ken Lazarus introduced and welcomed several new planning council members, including Raymond Mays and T.G. Greene.

Emory University will be hosting an HIV and Aging conference on 10/2 and 10/3. There will be an International AIDS Conference post-conference meeting on 9/4 from 12-5.

Dazon Dixon Diallo also announced the next Moral Mondays event will be held on 8/23 at Woodruff Park at 10:00 AM. There will be a march to the Capital.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:24 AM.

Approved

Meeting Date: August 21, 2014

Minutes Approval Date: September 18, 2014

Attested By:



Dazon Dixon-Diallo, Chair MAHSPC

