

III. Review Agenda

The agenda was reviewed; the Ryan White Program report was moved to the beginning of the agenda.

IV. Reports

▪ Grantee Reports

▪ Ryan White Program

- Dan Wall

Theresa Fiaño and Rick Siclari are in Washington, DC for the Communities Advocating for Emergency AIDS Relief (CAEAR) Coalition meeting. A three or four year extension of the current Ryan White Program legislation which sunsets September 30th is under discussion.

The County is holding the second and final budget hearing on Thursday at 5:01 p.m. Community Based Organizations are facing serious cuts in funding; concerned citizens should attend the hearing.

V. Special Presentation: The Preliminary Field Trial of a New Intervention for Substance Using MSM

Dr. Steven Kurtz

Dr. Kurtz, of the University of Delaware, gave a presentation on the results of the three month preliminary field trial of a new intervention for substance using MSM called *Reaching Out to Other Men (ROOM)*. The positive results of the trial have led to a National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) 5-year randomized clinical trial called *Risk Reduction for Urban Substance Using MSM*. A copy of the presentation was distributed and is on file.

VI. Review/Approve Minutes

The committee reviewed the minutes of August 10th, 2009; Miriam Nichols should be marked present.

Motion to approve the minutes of August 10th, 2009, with the change noted above.

Moved: Frederick Downs

Seconded: Louis Robinson

Motion: Passed

VII. Membership

Frances Fernandez, Barbara Kibilus and Carol Wilson have missed more than the allowed number of meetings this fiscal year. Each is present today, indicating continued interest and no further action is required.

Jacqueline Taylor resigned from the Partnership and committees, effective September 11, 2009. Her resignation leaves open the Partnership's *Health Care Provider Representing Federally Qualified Health Centers* seat.

Rick Siclari's second term on the Partnership as the *Housing, Homeless or Social Service Provider Representative* ends September 30, 2009. Mr. Siclari will remain on the Partnership as a voting member until the Mayor has appointed his replacement. Both seats are posted as vacant and anyone wishing to apply is encouraged to do so.

The Partnership thanks Jackie and Rick for their service.

John McGuirk and Ray Louis were appointed to second terms on the Partnership.

VIII. Reports

▪ Grantee Reports

▪ Part B

- Kevin Callo

No report.

▪ AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP)

-Dr. Javier Romero

Dr. Romero reported that the Bureau of HIV/AIDS (HAB) held four ADAP Day of Dialogue sessions in Miami-Dade County; approximately 300 clients attended in total.

▪ SFAN General Revenue (GR)

No report.

▪ Housing Opportunities for Persons Living with AIDS (HOPWA)

No report.

▪ Committee Reports

▪ Care and Treatment

- Louis Robinson

The committee heard reports on Evaluation and Management Billing Codes Utilization for Year 19 and Preliminary Data on ADAP Code Utilization. Additional information will be brought to the next meeting.

Applications for a new member of the Florida HIV/AIDS Community Planning Group were distributed and the committee will vote on a new member to represent Miami at the next meeting.

The committee reviewed and approved the following recommendations made by the Medical Care Subcommittee:

- Revised Miami-Dade County Ryan White Program Minimum Primary Medical Care Standards for Chart Review (copy on file).

Motion to adopt the Miami-Dade County Ryan White Program Minimum Primary Medical Care Standards for Chart Review.

Moved: Louis Robinson

Seconded: Vanessa Mills

Motion: Passed

- A Letter of Medical Necessity that will require the initial prescription for Seroquel be written by a licensed psychiatrist.

Motion to require the initial prescription for Seroquel be written by a licensed psychiatrist and create a Letter of Medical Necessity to that effect.

Moved: Louis Robinson

Seconded: Vanessa Mills

Motion: Passed

▪ Community Coalition Committee

- Cheryl Waterman

The committee voted to host a table at the SIDA Conference and approve the \$150 participation fee.

Motion to participate in the SIDA Conference and approve the \$150 participation fee.

Moved: Cheryl Waterman

Seconded: Louis Robinson

Motion: Passed

Two recruitment strategy trainings were held in the weeks prior to the meeting. Members reviewed the notes from the trainings and discussed expanding recruitment activities to church groups, medical case manager trainings and support groups.

Members also recommended that the list of support groups available on aidsnet.org be distributed to medical case managers as a handout they can give to their clients for easy access to the information.

The committee reviewed and made changes to the draft Partnership brochure (copy on file). The revised draft is included in today's meeting materials.

Motion to accept the Partnership brochure.

Moved: Cheryl Waterman

Seconded: Frederick Downs

Motion: Passed

The Committee will continue discussion of alternate meeting locations at their next meeting.

▪ **Strategic Planning Committee**

-Carol Wilson

Members were given an update on the Ryan White Program.

The committee reviewed Comprehensive Plan activities with a September 2009 review date.

Members reviewed the preliminary results of the Assessment of the Administrative Mechanism.

Members reviewed two Requests to Present Research Findings to the Miami-Dade HIV/AIDS Partnership:

1. Dr. Jose G. Castro of the University of Miami, Miller School of Medicine regarding circumcision in the Hispanic community as an additional component for HIV prevention; and
2. Dr. Olga Villar-Loubet of the University of Miami, Department of Psychiatry regarding risk factors associated with HIV transmission in Hispanic women.

Motion to invite Dr. Olga Villar-Loubet to present her findings in October, and to invite Dr. Jose G. Castro to present his findings in November.

Moved: Carol Wilson

Seconded: Frederick Downs

Motion: Passed

Members were asked to review Partnership accomplishments and epidemiological and utilization data for the next meeting in preparation of the Annual Report.

▪ **Housing Committee**

-Frederick Downs

Members accepted Felicia Reed as a new member.

Members received reports on the HOPWA long term rental assistance waitlist; Life Quest properties; Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) funds received by the City; local coordination of the Social Security Income (SSI)/Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) Outreach Access and Recovery (SOAR) Project; Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP) funds received by Citrus Health Network; and possible HOPWA-specific landlord-tenant workshops to be hosted by the City.

Members discussed inviting representatives from other housing agencies such as Concept House, Better Way of Miami, the Homeless Trust, AGAPE, Women in Distress and Camillus House to the committee meetings.

Members reviewed the final Housing Goals for the Comprehensive Plan.

IX. Standing Business

▪ **Community Events Update**

Christina Bontempo announced that a New Member Orientation will be held on September 22nd from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at BSR; those planning to attend can pick up a flier (copy on file) at today's meeting. All new members are required to attend a New Member Orientation; another will be held in a few months.

Mr. Robinson announced that the Community Mobilization Committee will meet at 3:00 p.m. on Thursdays at a location to be announced; Mr. Robinson will forward the details to staff for distribution.

X. Announcements

Ms. Bontempo informed attendees that the arrangements for a service in remembrance of Charlie LeClair are underway; staff will distribute the details once they are finalized.

XI. Next Meeting

The next meeting is Tuesday, October 13th, 2009 at the Historical Museum.

XII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Frederick Downs

Seconded: Louis Robinson

Motion: Passed

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Chair, Miami-Dade HIV/AIDS Partnership

Date