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**Miami-Dade HIV/AIDS Partnership
Monday, October 13th, 2009, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Historical Museum, 101 W. Flagler Street, Miami, FL 33130**

Partnership Members	Guests	Staff
Alonso, Eddie	Amar, Ayush	Bontempo, Christina
Downs, Frederick	Colmenares, Oliver	Hayden, Beth
Fernandez, Frances	Eaton, John	Ladner, Robert
Hallmon, Rolando	Fiaño, Theresa	Tardalo, Kimberly
Jauregui, Jocelyn	Garcia, Charles	
Kubilus, Barbara	Gressman, Eric	
Robinson, Louis	Hyde, Robert	
Rodriguez, Blanche	Paris, Ausline	
Romero, Javier	Pietrogallo, Tom	
Siclari, Rick	Smith, Gretchen	
Williams, Michael		

No business was transacted because of lack of quorum.

Rolando Hallmon welcomed everyone and asked for introductions. Members reviewed the agenda; Louis Robinson and Robert Hyde were added to announcements. Mr. Hallmon called for members to address all non-business items.

▪ **Membership Report**

- *Rolando Hallmon*

John McGuirk resigned from the Partnership and committees, effective September 27, 2009. He had held the *Non-Elected Community Leader* seat. The seat is posted as vacant and anyone wishing to apply is encouraged to do so. A special election for chair elect will be held. The Partnership thanked him for his service.

There is currently a new applicant for the *Health Care Provider Representing Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC)* seat (application approval is pending quorum).

A full report of vacancies was available at the meeting. Members were asked to contact staff with candidates, especially Persons Living With HIV/AIDS.

▪ **Grantee Reports**

- **Part A**

- *Theresa Fiaño*

Ms. Fiaño announced that the Senate unanimously voted to extend the current Ryan White legislation for four years; the details are currently under discussion by the House of Representatives.

All contracts have been executed; some are being amended.

The Part A grant application is being completed by the County and BSR. The County plans to submit the grant application to the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) by October 26th, in advance of the October 30th due date.

- **Part B**

- *John Eaton*

The Ryan White Part B supplemental funds will be released shortly; much of the funding will go to the AIDS

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Insurance Continuation Program (AICP).

There is a Florida HIV/AIDS Community Planning Group (FCPG) meeting on November 12th and 13th at the University of South Florida Campus Embassy Suites in Tampa; staff previously distributed the details. Mr. Eaton thanked Frances Fernandez, Barbara Kubilus and Martia West for their interest in representing Miami at these meetings (application approval pending quorum).

- ***AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP)***

- *Dr. Javier Romero*

On October 2nd the Florida Department of Health launched the Rewarding Adherence to Medication Program (RAMP). If a client has picked up his/her medication on time for 12 consecutive months, he/she will be rewarded by being able to pick up a 90 day supply of medication at once.

▪ ***Executive Committee Meeting***

Since quorum was not reached following review of non-business items, Partnership members decided an emergency Executive Committee meeting should be convened on either October 16th or 18th; whichever is more convenient for the members. Staff will call all members and send an announcement with the final date and time for the meeting as soon as possible.

▪ ***Community Events Update***

Louis Robinson announced that the Community Mobilization Committee is meeting every Thursday at 3:00 p.m. at Empower "U"; currently they are planning World AIDS Day events including the Unity Awards which will be held on December 13th.

Mr. Robinson thanked everyone who attended Charles LeClair's services for their support.

▪ ***Announcements***

Robert Hyde announced that he would send staff an excerpt from the Bible meaningful to him regarding Mr. LeClair's passing to staff for distribution.

Mr. Hallmon reported that he will put a Partnership post-card in his church event booklet, free of charge, to assist with member recruitment.

▪ ***Next Meeting***

The next meeting is Monday, November 9th, 2009 at the Historical Museum.