

II. Resource Persons

Mr. Quintero indicated Behavioral Science Research (BSR) staff as resource individuals. Elizabeth Ross stated that the Partnership meetings are recorded and the recordings and meeting minutes are available to the public.

III. Review/Approve Agenda

Members reviewed the meeting agenda. Daniel T. Wall will give the Ryan White Part A/MAI Program update and Dennis Iadarola will give the Care and Treatment Committee report.

Motion to approve the agenda with the above changes.

Moved: Miguel Puente Seconded: James Powell Motion: Passed

IV. Floor Open to the Public

Mr. Quintero opened the floor to the public with the following statement:

“Pursuant to Florida Sunshine Law, I want to provide the public with a reasonable opportunity to be heard on any item on our agenda today. If there is anyone who wishes to be heard, I invite you to speak now. Each person will be given three minutes to speak. Please begin by stating your name and address for the record before you talk about your concerns.”

There were no comments, questions, or concerns from the public.

V. Review/Approve Minutes of December 12, 2016

Members reviewed the minutes of December 12, 2016. There were no changes.

Motion to approve the minutes of December 12, 2016 as presented.

Moved: Miguel Puente Seconded: Sannita Vaughn Motion: Passed

VI. Membership Report

Elizabeth Ross

Re-appointment of Partnership Members

James Powell and Carlos Valle were re-appointed to the Partnership for a second membership term.

Pending Approval of Partnership Applications

There are three Partnership applicants who are still pending the Miami-Dade County Mayor's appointment to the Partnership. Those members are Amaris Hess, Cameka Jefferson and Carlos Laso.

The Miami-Dade County Mayor's Office has requested that the Partnership application be modified to include a separate line for the Partnership applicant's Social Security Number on the background check consent form. BSR staff will update the Partnership application accordingly.

If the above-mentioned Partnership applicants are appointed to the Partnership, then only five vacancies will remain on the Partnership.

Partnership Membership Removal

The Miami-Dade County Mayor has removed Lynn Smith as a member from the Partnership due to excessive absences.

Appointment of Partnership Member to Committee

John McFeely would like to join the Medical Care Subcommittee.

Motion to appoint John McFeely as a member to the Medical Care Subcommittee.

Moved: Miguel Puente Seconded: Michele Wyatt-Sweeting Motion: Passed

VII. Reports

▪ **GRANTEE REPORTS**

- **Ryan White Part A/MAI Program**

Daniel T. Wall

Daniel T. Wall informed Partnership members that the Part A/MAI expenditure report for FY 2016 printed on December 21, 2016 (copy on file) were in members' packets.

Ryan White Grant Award	Allocations for FY 2016	Total Expenditures for FY 2016 as of 12/21/16
Part A	\$24,723,321	\$14,884,905.95
MAI	\$2,736,895	\$1,949,916.13

As of December 27, 2016, 1,437 Ryan White Part A/MAI Program clients have been enrolled into an Affordable Care Act (ACA) health insurance plan. Of those, 694 clients are receiving Ryan White Part A premium assistance for health insurance.

The Office of Management and Budget-Grants Coordination (OMB-GC) is working to refine the ACA enrollment process. Two medical case management trainings will be held this week to review the ACA enrollment process.

Ryan White Program service providers were sent notification of sweeps request. Providers have until January 13, 2017 to submit their requests.

OMB-GC is half way through completing Ryan White Part A/MAI Program provider site visits. OMB-GC intends to complete all 15 site visits before the end of the Fiscal Year.

Mr. Puente asked if OMB-GC were on target with reaching the earmark set by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). Mr. Wall responded that yes, the Ryan White Program is on target with expenditures.

- **Part B Report**

Sarah Kenneally

Sarah Kenneally reviewed the Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County Contract Managers' Report (copy on file).

All contracts for South Florida AIDS Network (SFAN)'s ADAP pre-screening services have been paid and services have been rendered.

The November 2016 invoice from SFAN was received on time and it was reported that SFAN pre-screened 153 clients for ADAP services.

All contract invoices and quarterly reports have been submitted on time and are in accordance to the terms of the contract.

- **AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) Miami** *Javier Romero, M.D.*

Dr. Javier Romero reviewed the ADAP Miami Report (copy on file).

During the month of December, \$2,281,092.52 was spent on 4,082 prescriptions. There were approximately 2,643 patients served. In December, the prescription pick up rate was not reported due to pending reporting features of the new ADAP data system; 97.80% of ADAP clients had undetectable viral loads. New clients and client re-enrollment data for December were not reported due to pending reporting features of the new ADAP data system.

There are now 12 participants in the statewide Hepatitis C pilot project.

There are 1,686 ADAP clients who are eligible to enroll into one of the 26 Florida ADAP-approved ACA Marketplace plans from which an ADAP client can choose; however, only ten will be wraparound by Ryan White Part A services. Of the 1,686 clients eligible to enroll, 812 were approved, and of those, 638 successfully enrolled into a health insurance plan.

Mr. Wall asked Dr. Romero if he thought using American Exchange to assist with client enrollment significantly helped with the enrollment process. Dr. Romero responded that he thought American Exchange has helped to facilitate the payment delivery and documentation submission process.

There was a brief discussion on how Ryan White Program clients have been affected during the current ACA enrollment process. Mr. Iadarola stated that some clients are still facing some challenges with timely payment processing, which interrupt the clients' health insurance coverage.

- **General Revenue** *Tamar Conyers*

Tamar Conyers reviewed the *July 2016-June 2017 HIV/AIDS Demographic Data for PHT/SFAN Report* (copy on file).

In November of 2016, 417 clients received ambulatory/outpatient medical care, 979 received medical case management services, 545 received drugs/pharmaceuticals, 31 received hospital services, 10 received mental health services, six received nursing home care, one received nutrition counseling, 13 received oral health care, two children received foster care, 31

received housing assistance services, 160 received transportation services and 418 clients were referred to health or supportive care services.

A total of \$677,109 was spent on the aforementioned services in November; and \$2,410,429.84 has been spent as of year to date.

- **Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA)** *Roberto Tazoe*

Roberto Tazoe reported that nothing has changed since he last reported to the Partnership.

Long Term Rental Assistance (LTRA) Waitlist

The HOPWA program is serving waitlist client number 225.

Lifequest Apartments

The permit extension is pending Miami-Dade County's visit to each property.

Greater Bethel Arms (BAME) Apartments

BAME has partnered with St. John, CDC, and they are currently working to secure additional funding to increase the amount of funds available to complete the rehabilitation of the BAME housing units.

• **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- **Care and Treatment Committee** *Dennis Iadarola*

The committee heard updates on the Ryan White Part A/MAI Program, Part B Program, and SFAN's General Revenue.

The committee elected Victor Gonzalez as chair-elect.

The committee reviewed the service descriptions for food bank and health insurance services, as modified to reflect current operating practice and service description updates. Updates presented for both services were limited to those necessary to align these documents with the current service provision structures and modification of benefits, and to update the descriptions with the new fiscal year and priority references only. No substantive changes were recommended. Several members of the committee expressed concern that food bank services were only available to PLWHA receiving \$100 or less per month in food stamps; the threshold appeared very low to these committee members, and the committee requested the limit be reviewed and possibly be raised pending future grant allocation amounts for 2017-2018.

Motion to request a review of the food stamp limit in determining eligibility for food bank services, and to consider raising the limitation threshold to more than \$100 in food stamps in order for a client to be eligible to receive food bank services.

Moved: Dennis Iadarola

Seconded: James Powell

Motion: Passed

Opposed: John McFeely

- **Prevention Committee** *Sarah Kenneally*

The committee heard updates about the MSM Collaborative and from the Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County.

BSR staff distributed to committee members updated copies of the Prevention Committee's Policies and Procedures Manual reflecting the changes that the Partnership approved at its October meeting.

Committee members heard a status update from BSR staff on the activities the Prevention Committee wishes to implement in 2017 and 2018.

The committee conducted Chair-elect nominations.

- **Housing Committee**

James Powell

The Housing Committee received an update on the HOPWA program including information that they are still on client number 225 on Long Term Rental Assistance (LTRA) waitlist.

The committee reviewed the housing resources shown on the aidsnet.org website and provided suggestions and additions to the housing resources webpage.

The committee reviewed Ryan White summary data provided by BSR on the impact of stable housing on treatment adherence and reduced viral load among PLWHAs in Ryan White care, as well as data from the Housing Needs Assessment conducted by Apple Tree Perspectives. Ms. Alicia Apfel requested that the Housing Committee make a motion to ask BSR to provide additional data on the relative cost of providing Ryan White Program care to homeless (vs. non-homeless) PLWHA, as well as data on income differences between homeless and non-homeless Ryan White Program PLWHA.

The Assistant County Attorney, Terrence Smith, advised the Partnership that a motion from the Housing Committee was not needed to make a data request to BSR. The following Housing Committee motion was not acted upon.

Motion to provide Alicia Apfel with summary data on cost of providing Ryan White Program care to homeless and non-homeless PLWHA in care, and on income differences between homeless and non-homeless Ryan White Program clients.

Clarification was made to the January 2017 committee meeting invitation to the invitees. The committee discussed who the invitees are (Deputy Mayor Russell Benford and two aides from Senator Rene Garcia's office), the method of communication (a letter) and the agenda outline for the meeting.

- **"Getting to Zero" Task Force Ad Hoc Committee**

Robert Ladner

The Miami-Dade County HIV/AIDS "Getting to Zero" Task Force Care and Treatment Committee and Prevention and Research Committee met on December 14, 2016, to refine the strategic actions as determined by these committees, and to identify stakeholder organizations, strategic partners and resources needed to move these actions forward. Similar meetings were held by the Social and Support Services Committee and Systems and Policy Committee on January 4, 2017, with final strategic action recommendations, stakeholders, strategic partners and anticipated resources, as modified, to be reviewed by the

Task Force on January 20. The action recommendations are provided to the Partnership for reference purposes.

Motion to accept all committee and grantee reports as presented.

Moved: Miguel Puente

Seconded: Christopher Rice

Motion: Passed

VIII. Standing Business

There was no standing business.

IX. New Business

There was no new business.

X. Announcements

Robert Ladner reviewed the New Clients in Ryan White Care for September and October 2016 (copies on file).

Ms. Ross highlighted changes to the January and February Partnership calendars (copies on file).

XI. Next Meeting

The next meeting is Monday, February 13, 2017 at HistoryMiami Museum.

XII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:54 A.M.

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Miguel Puente

Seconded: Christopher Rice

Motion: Passed