



## VI. Standing Business

### ▪ **Ryan White Program Update**

*Carla Valle-Schwenk*

Carla Valle-Schwenk reviewed the Part A expenditures for Oral Health Care. As of January 2015, \$2,571,484 had been allocated to oral health and \$2,114,867 million dollars have been spent. For the new fiscal year the County received a partial award of \$9 million which represents 80% of the formula award.

### ▪ **Partnership Report**

*Marlen Hernandez*

Marlen Hernandez read the Partnership report (copy on file).

## VII. New Business

### ▪ **Ad Hoc Expiration**

*Marlen Hernandez*

Ms. Hernandez explained that the Ad Hoc OHC Committee had been approved for two years. The two year period will expire in April 2016. Based on the changes which will be taking place with the bylaws, it was recommended that the ad hoc committee become a workgroup. The workgroup would function a little differently than the current structure: there would be no formal members with terms of office, no quorum requirements, and decisions would be made by consensus rather than vote. Recommendations would be moved to the Care and Treatment committee for further action, and the Care and Treatment Committee would make motions based on the reports provided by the workgroup. The group would still meet as needed. The ad hoc agreed that the change of status would be helpful in continuing the work it does on the Ryan White Oral Health Care Formulary.

**Motion to request the Ad Hoc Oral Health Care Committee be reorganized into the Oral Health Care Workgroup.**

**Moved: Frederick Downs, Jr.**

**Second: Dr. Manuel Casas**

**Motion: Passed**

### ▪ **Formulary Updates**

*Carla Valle-Schwenk*

Ms. Valle-Schwenk reviewed the draft formulary (copy on file). The ad hoc reviewed the document page by page and discontinued non-used codes, added some missing codes, and made suggestions in addition to changes in nomenclature. Some additional recommendations were made:

On page 1:

Discontinue: 00001, 00002, 00003, 11100\*, F7285, F7286, 20680, 21031, 21032, 21040, 21320, D7680

Add: D6100, D7472, D7473, D7411-D7412

\*reference equivalent ADA code

On page 2:

Discontinue: 21356\*\*, 21360\*\*, 21453\*\*, 21454\*\*, 21462\*\*, 21465\*\*, 40800

\*\*including discontinuation of reference ADA code

**Motion to accept all the changes as discussed in the draft.**

**Moved: Frederick Downs, Jr.**

**Second: Dr. Manuel Casas**

**Motion: Passed**

The ad hoc suggested adding two codes [D5820 Interim Partial Denture (Maxillary) and D5821 Interim Partial Denture (Mandibular)] to help clients with healing before placement of permanent devices.

**Motion to add D5820 Interim Partial Denture (Maxillary) and D5821 Interim Partial Denture (Mandibular) to the Ryan White Oral Health Care Formulary.**

**Moved: Frederick Downs, Jr.**

**Second: Dr. Manuel Casas**

**Motion: Passed**

The group discussed adding D4342 Periodontal Scaling and Root Planing-One to Three Teeth per Quadrant since currently on the formulary only four or more teeth per quadrant is allowable and some clients do not meet the definition but need the service.

**Motion to add D4342 Periodontal Scaling and Root Planing-One to Three Teeth per Quadrant to the Ryan White Oral Health Care Formulary.**

**Moved: Frederick Downs, Jr.**

**Second: Dr. Manuel Casas**

**Motion: Passed**

▪ **Reimbursement Rates**

*Carla Valle-Schwenk*

As mentioned at the last meeting, the County is looking into changing the rate structure to more accurately reflect cost. Any increases in cost would require adjustments in the patient cap. The expectation is that increased reimbursement to providers should improve the quality of care by shortening wait times for appointments and increasing personnel. An analysis of the utilization from YR 24 and national rates was reviewed (copy on file). Based on the analysis, use of a national rate would cause a 54% increase to the program overall costs, which is not sustainable. The County requested that the providers provide input on the analysis and suggest any codes that should receive special consideration based on increased time and effort or complexity. Staff will send out the analysis in an editable excel sheet and comments are due back by Monday, March 14.

▪ **Contract Compliance**

*Carla Valle-Schwenk*

Ms. Valle-Schwenk indicated that based on early feedback from needs assessment focus groups, there appear to be issues with emergency access to oral health care services. She indicated that per the contract, providers need to have walk in slots. Some agencies have the walk in slots imbedded into the regular appointments. A more effective way of dealing with emergencies is to triage walk-in clients and clients with substantive issues can be seen within 48 hours. Suggested clarifying language to the service delivery guidelines was provided. Clients who come in for urgent/emergent issues (e.g. in pain, broken tooth, situation requiring immediate treatment or situation causing patient high level of distress) will be triaged by dental staff and those with substantial issues will be seen within 48 hours.

**VIII. Announcements**

Ms. Hernandez reviewed the January New Clients Registered in Ryan White Care, Needs Assessment flyer, and changes to March or April calendars (copy on file).

**IX. Next Meeting**

The meeting is tentatively scheduled for Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**X. Adjournment**

Dr. Cerrud adjourned the meeting at 3:55 p.m.