

V. Review/Approve Minutes of January 27, 2017

Members reviewed the minutes. Dr. Romero requested that on page 2 of 4, the line that starts “Florida Blue has made additional changes” be struck. The next sentence will be reworded to “Payments have been switched to manual checks for clients with individual problems with Florida Blue. Dr. Romero also suggestion adding clarification: the sentence will now read “Florida Blue has elected not to use CVS/Caremark retail pharmacies as part of their network”. The subcommittee approved the minutes with the recommended changes.

Motion to accept the minutes of January 27, 2016 with the corrections noted.

Moved: Toni Bowen-McDuffey

Seconded: Dr. Javier Romero

Motion: Passed

VI. Membership

Marlen Meizoso announced that Ozzie Heredia resigned from the subcommittee because he is in the process of retiring. Dr. Jose Castro is terming off the subcommittee, since he has served six years. The subcommittee wished him well and presented him with a certificate of appreciation. Mrs. Meizoso reviewed the vacancy report (copy on file). She indicated there are several vacancies on this subcommittee: vacancies exist for PLWHA members, a physician, and a substance abuse provider. There is a pending application for one of the PLWHA seats. If anyone knows of qualified candidates they can contact staff.

VII. Reports

- Ryan White Program Update

Carla Valle-Schwenk

Carla Valle-Schwenk referenced the expenditures as of January 30, 2017 (copy on file). In Part A, 70.55% of funds were expended, and in MAI, 79.57% have been expended. The fiscal year ends on Tuesday of this month. All final invoices are due by March 31st. Final expenditures for the fiscal year should be reportable by April. Expenditures in health insurance are very close to being fully utilized. The County sent out a request for pricing of the meningococcal vaccine but only one provider has submitted information. The deadline for submitting pricing information is by 5 p.m. today.

- Partnership Report

Dr. Steven Santiago

Dr. Santiago reviewed the Partnership report (copy on file).

- Expenditure Reports

- ADAP Update

Dr. Javier Romero

Dr. Javier Romero reviewed the ADAP report from February 24 (copy on file). In the month of January a little over \$2.3 million was spend on 4,142 prescriptions. Table 4 data is limited because of reporting features of the new ADAP service system. CD4 counts were reported with uninsured clients having 8.45% and for insured clients having 3.25%. Table 6 indicated there were 101 new clients. All August enrollments are due for reenrollment in February. There are 13 people enrolled in the Hepatitis C project. There are 916 insured patients enrolled in the ADAP program; 3,333 uninsured or direct dispense clients are enrolled in ADAP. There was a conference call with Florida Blue which indicated there were global issues with Florida Blue and ADAP; clarification on these issues is being sought. Meanwhile, waivers for ACA cancellations will be provided. Dr. Romero reviewed the memo indicating the ADAP formulary has been expanded and a copy of the formulary was provided (copies on file). Additionally, ADAP updates and reminders documents were reviewed (copy on file). The new formulary is effective February 1st but the local program does not have the medications in stock. The program has also discussed reinstating the 90 day supply program (RAMP) but spacing constraints for the medications needs to be explored. Hep C medications do need prior authorization. Once the local ADAP program

begins to stock the expanded medication and informs the Part A program, these will need to be updated in SDIS.

ADAP will be conducting a survey to see if having a day of expanded hours helps. Feasibility of this option will be explored.

- General Revenue

Wanda Cortes

Wanda Cortes reviewed the General Revenue report for January (copy on file). In January, 291 clients were served at a total expense of \$56,374.06. A question was asked regarding the increase in expenditures. These are due to increases in the test and treat initiative by the Department of Health.

Ms. Valle-Schwenk indicated that the short term assistance program in which General Revenue has partnered with Part A provided \$46,000 of ARV assistance for 16 clients in January and 2 clients in February, most of these due to delayed premiums.

VIII. Standing Business

- Medical Care Standards Update

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Mrs. Meizoso reviewed the changes to the Minimum Primary Medical Care Standards for Chart Review based on last month's discussion (copy on file). The footer and foot notes were updated. Information on the T-Spot was added to page 5 and the meningococcal vaccine was added to page 6. The entire guidance on the vaccine was not added but was referenced in the vaccination section.

Mrs. Meizoso had been asked to inquire about PHS guidance. She indicated that the PHS guidelines did not address meningococcal vaccines. A better copy of the MMWR recommendations for the use of meningococcal vaccines for HIV-infected persons was provided. Information concerning the National AETC guide for HIV/AIDS care was presented which referenced the meningococcal vaccine. Additionally, a Florida Department of Health advisory letter on reporting meningococcal disease was shared with the subcommittee (copy on file).

The subcommittee agreed with the changes previously presented but suggesting tweaking some language. Instead of PPD, the reference should be changed to TB testing, including the label of the section. Dr. Castro indicated that trichomoniasis was listed under the initial visit but was not listed under the STI screening section. The subcommittee agreed it should be added. The label will be changed to Bacterial STIs (Syphilis, *N. gonorrhoeae*, *C. trachomatis*) and Parasitic STIs (trichomoniasis). The subcommittee agreed with all the additional changes to the document.

Motion to accept the changes to the Minimum Primary Medical Care Standards for Chart Review sections on STI screenings, TB testing, and immunizations as discussed.

Moved: John McFeely

Second: George Barroso

Motion: Passed

IX. New Business

- Botox for Hyperhidrosis

Carla Valle-Schwenk

Ms. Valle-Schwenk reminded everyone that the Part A program is the payor of last resort. A Part A client went to dermatologist and was diagnosed with hyperhidrosis. The dermatologist recommended Botox for the condition. A patient assistance program was identified for the medication but the dermatologist did not want to complete the forms. If the doctor refuses to complete the forms the client would need to go elsewhere, since the County can't pay for this service. Dr. Santiago indicated that Jason Wilman at the Walgreens pharmacy can assist with the completion of patient assistance applications.

- Part A Review of Expanded ADAP Formulary

Carla Valle-Schwenk

Ms. Valle-Schwenk indicated that the Part A program had contact ADAP about participating in the discussion on ADAP formulary expansion. She distributed correspondence sent by the County to Dr. Beal (copy on file). The County was very surprised with the expansion and the lack of dialogue. Ms. Valle-Schwenk indicated the County has reviewed the formulary updates and created a cross-walk on the changes (copy on file) as an FYI. In the future, it would be helpful to provide opportunities for dialogue between ADAP and Part A before further changes in the formulary take place.

- ACA Enrollment Update

Francisco Sastre

Dr. Francisco Sastre reviewed the 2016 ACA Enrollment update (copy on file). This year a new centralized agency is helping keep track of enrollments. Of those enrolled in ACA plans, 46% are Part A and 56% are ADAP. This year was the greatest number of enrollments to date. Most of the plans selected by clients were either gold or platinum plans. There was an issue with 200 or so clients who received notice of auto reenrollment and did not enroll. Quality Management staff attempted to contact them by sending cards to their last known address but the majority of the cards returned with errors. This is an issue which needs to be addressed.

X. Announcements

Mrs. Meizoso reviewed the remaining items in the packets. The County announcements on viral load reporting, non-allowable use of hormones injectables, and GAP card pharmacy acceptance were reviewed (copies on file). The National AIDS Housing Coalition call to action announcement, clients new to care in November 2016, and changes to the March and April calendars were also reviewed (copies on file). Mrs. Meizoso also announced that Elizabeth Ross will be leaving BSR effective March 10th and will be replaced by Hardeep Singh.

Dr. Sastre indicated that viral load non-reporting rates have improved to 6% this year. Some providers such as Quest automatically download the information into the system and out of network referrals now are required to provide viral load data.

The County is in discussions with Walgreens to see if they will accept the GAP cards.

XI. Next Meeting

The next meeting is March 24, 2017 at the United Way.

XII. Adjournment

Dr. Santiago adjourned the meeting at 10:27 a.m.