



Strategic Planning Committee's Retention in Care Workgroup
Behavioral Science Research
2121 Ponce de Leon Blvd., Suite 230
May 16, 2017

Approved July 18, 2017

#	Committee Members	Present	Absent
1	Gallardo, Enrique		X
2	Gallo, Giselle	X	
3	Hill, Lileaus	X	
4	Hilton, Karen	X	
5	Hunter, Tabitha	X	
6	Kenneally, Sarah	X	
7	Neff, Travis	X	
8	Powell, James	X	
9	Puente, Miguel	X	
	Ex-officio		
1	Valle-Schwenk, Carla		X
Quorum = 4			

Guests	
Holden, Queen	
Safstrom, Jackie	
Smith, Theresa	
Williams, Stephen	
Zayas, Matilde	
Staff	
Ladner, Robert	
Sastre, Francisco	
Singh, Hardeep	

I. Call to Order/Introductions

The chair, Sarah Kenneally, called the meeting to order at 10:09 A.M. She welcomed everyone and asked for introductions.

II. Resource Persons

Ms. Kenneally indicated Behavioral Science Research (BSR) staff as resource individuals.

III. Review/Approve Agenda

The workgroup reviewed the agenda. There were no changes.

Motion to accept the agenda as presented.

Moved: Miguel Puente Seconded: James Powell Motion: Passed

IV. Floor Open to the Public

Ms. Kenneally 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 items 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 from the public. Ms. Kenneally closed the floor for public comment.

V. Review/Approve Minutes of February 21, 2017

The committee reviewed the minutes of February 21, 2017.

Motion to accept the minutes of February 21, 2017 as presented.

Moved: Miguel Puente

Seconded: James Powell

Motion: Passed

VI. Standing Business

There was no standing business.

VII. New Business

- *Final Report of the Work Group*

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Dr. Ladner posed the question as to what the Work Group would like to present to the Strategic Planning Committee and Partnership with respect to the Work Group's accomplishments. Dr. Ladner referenced the 2016 Retention in Care Work Group Final report (copy on file) as it details the Work Group's purpose and goals for year two.

Dr. Ladner cautioned the Work Group that while there is still room for improvement in retention efforts, many are going to be addressed in the Integrated Plan. The Work Group needs to decide whether to extend its work for another term.

Motion to discuss options to disband the Retention in Care Work Group

Moved: Miguel Puente

Seconded: Lileaus Hill

Motion: Failed

Ms. Karen Hilton initiated discussion on the topic of Mental Health services as it relates to retention rates. There are still issues with clients not seeking said services. Data shared at the Strategic Planning committee showed that the average of 1.5 hours of mental health therapy with new to care clients improved retention in care rates from 81% to 96%. Data suggests that a protocol is needed to move clients into Mental Health care and discussion has already occurred in adding the PHQ-92 scale into the Comprehensive Health Assessment (CHA) to initiate referrals.

Dr. Ladner reminded everyone that the Integrated Plan has provisions that require a Retention in Care Quality Improvement activity whereby a pilot/intervention needs to be launched.

Ms. Hilton also shared that the Work Group was supposed to present incarceration data to the Strategic Planning committee and that this was not accomplished or discussed. Ms. Hilton feels that the Work Group needs to continue its work.

Dr. Ladner suggested an option that the Work Group request a 6-month extension as to conform with the Integrated Plan calendar year to allow for certain activities to be added to the Plan. The next Integrated Plan meeting will be in July 2017. This is the meeting whereby modification to goals/objectives can be entertained. The Work Group can request for the 6-month extension from Strategic Planning Committee at the Integrated Plan meeting. Upon approval here, the request can then be shared at the Partnership.

Motion for Strategic Planning Committee's Retention in Care Work Group to request before the Joint Integrated Plan, a 6-month extension to address outstanding retention in care comorbidities.

Moved: Miguel Puente

Seconded: James Powell

Motion: Passed

Dr. Ladner requested input from the work group pertaining to topics to add to the second year final report and to share with the Joint Integrated Plan meeting. The following topics were identified:

- 1) Mental health: to further distinguish issues into Mental Health, Substance Abuse and Incarceration and delve deeper into each component.

The Work Group discussed the issue of incarceration further to discern linkage to care versus retention in care. Dr. Francisco Sastre shared that some of the activities being discussed are linkage to care/outreach activities outside of this Work Group's purview (issues related to incarceration). Emphasis is on keeping clients in care and addressing Mental Health is the avenue to accomplish this.

- 2) Three topics to address:
 - a. Pay attention to comorbidities with regard to Lost to care
 - b. Difference between post-release care in prison vs. jail systems and this to be addressed
 - c. Confusion between distinguishing linkage, re-linkage and return to care definitions

Staff will create a year two final report for the Work Group and this will be presented at the July Integrated Plan meeting. The Work Group was given the option of convening in June to review the draft final report or to share feedback with staff via email. The consensus was to review the final report by email and to cancel the June 20th Work Group meeting.

Motion to cancel the Retention in Care Work Group June 20th 2017 meeting
Moved: Miguel Puente Seconded: James Powell Motion: Passed

VIII. Announcements

Ms. Hardeep Singh highlighted pertinent meetings in the May and June Partnership calendars (copies on file) emphasizing the importance of the Needs Assessment process and committee participation.

Ms. Singh introduced the flyer promoting the Prevention committee's series of best practices presentations. The next presentation will be held on May 25th, and Dr. Santiago and Ron Ledain of Care Resource will be presenting (copy on file).

IX. Next Meeting

The Work Group decided against another meeting in June and the consensus was to review the final report document prepared by staff via email and to share any feedback to BSR staff only.

Motion to cancel the June 20th, 2017 Retention in Care Work Group meeting
Moved: Miguel Puente Seconded: James Powell Motion: Passed

X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 A.M.

Motion to adjourn.
Moved: Miguel Puente Seconded: James Powell Motion: Passed