



**Care and Treatment Committee Meeting  
 United Way Ansin Building  
 3250 SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Ryder Conference Room  
 January 4, 2018**

*Approved February 16, 2018*

#	Committee Members	Present	Absent
1	Alcala, Etelvina		x
2	Brini, Carine		x
3	Downs, Frederick	x	
4	Gallo, Giselle	x	
5	Gonzalez, Victor	x	
6	Grant, Gena	x	
7	Henriquez, Maria	x	
8	Hunter, Tabitha	x	
9	Iadarola, Dennis	x	
10	LaGrome, Arthur	x	
11	Neff, Travis		x
12	Puente, Miguel	x	
13	Siclari, Rick	x	
14	Wall, Daniel T.		x
<b>Quorum = 6</b>			

Guests	
Rodolfo Boucugnani	
Jose Camino	
James Dougherty	
Javier Romero	
Donna Sabatino	
Carla Valle-Schwenk	
Joey Wynn	
Rhonda Wright	
Staff	
Brock-Getz, Petra	Meizoso, Marlen
Bontempo, Christina	

**I. Call to Order/Introductions**

The chair, Dennis Iadarola, called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. He welcomed everyone and asked for introductions.

**II. Resource Persons**

Mr. Iadarola indicated Behavioral Science Research (BSR) staff as resource individuals.

**III. Review/Approve Agenda**

The committee reviewed the agenda. Staff recommended removing the General Revenue report since no report was available. The committee voted to accept the agenda with the change.

**Motion to accept the agenda with the change noted.**

**Moved: Frederick Downs, Jr.**

**Seconded: Gena Grant**

**Motion: Passed**

**IV. Floor Open to the Public**

Mr. Iadarola read the following:

*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.*

No comments were made, so the floor was closed.

**V. Review/Approve Minutes of December 7, 2017**

The committee reviewed the minutes of December 7, 2017 and moved to accept it.

**Motion to accept the December 7, 2017 minutes.**

**Moved: Miguel Puente**

**Seconded: Frederick Downs, Jr.**

**Motion: Passed**

**VI. Membership**

*Marlen Meizoso*

Marlen Meizoso reviewed the vacancy report (copy on file) which details the requirements of membership. She indicated there are ten (10) Care and Treatment committee vacancies at this time. Each committee member has received an individualized account of committee meeting attendance to date. In addition there is copy of the memo on the attendance requirement and meeting dates for 2018 (copy on file) in the meeting packets. A new Committee requirement has been instituted, based on a ruling by the Commission on Ethics: all members of the Committee will need to complete a financial disclosure form to comply with County regulations. Previously only Partnership members were required to comply with this requirement. Once the forms for 2017 are made available, staff will distribute the forms to Committee members to complete them. There are financial penalties for non-compliance, as well as the possibility of being removed from the committee. Mrs. Meizoso indicated that members also needed to complete a contact update sheet (copy on file) located in the meeting packets, and these should be returned to ensure the information in the files is correct.

**VII. Standing Business**

▪ *Ryan White Program Update*

*Carla Valle-Schwenk*

Ms. Valle-Schwenk referenced the November 2017 Part A/MAI expenditure report (print date 1/3/2018: copy on file) which also lists current allocations. Under Part A, 73.97% has been expended in direct services. Under MAI, 79.22% has been spent. Several reimbursement requests have been received by the County but have not yet been processed.

As of this date, 500 clients have been enrolled in Affordable Care Act (ACA) plans. Some clients did not follow the Part A/ADAP process and auto-enrolled themselves. Those clients whose plans are within the Ryan White Program guidelines may be assisted. Florida Blue provided a grace period to allow for binder payments to be made until January 25.

The County has been in contact with ACHA regarding the Medicaid PAC Waiver program. The fifteen MMA/LTC programs have been contacted but only three have replied. The MMA programs would provide medical case management but not referral to community resources. The list of new MMA/LTC plans will not be available until April. The Part A program can't provide medical case management to these clients because case management is offered by the MMA/LTC program. For the upcoming year, the committee may want to consider the addition of non-medical case management/referral services as a reimbursable service category under the new RFP. The HOPWA program is providing a grace period for PAC clients seeking a new case manager. The Part A program may need to allow for an extension of out of network referrals to allow clients to keep accessing services in the short term. More information will be shared at the next meeting.

It was suggested that PAC waiver clients who have issues with their MMA/LTC providers contact ACHA.

The DOH Test and Treat initiative will expand to Part A providers starting April 1, 2018.

The Oral Health Care formulary has been updated and disseminated.

▪ *Part B Update*

*Marlen Meizoso*

Mrs. Meizoso reviewed the September Part B report (copy on file). Expenditures total \$26,756.47. There are two active contracts: SFAN ADAP and UM Adolescent. SFAN ADAP served 149 clients and UM Adolescent served 20. There are no funding issues for this period. All contact invoices and quarterly reports have been submitted on time, in accordance to the terms of the contract. There are no new/pending issues to report.

▪ *ADAP Program Update*

*Javier Romero*

Javier Romero reviewed the December 19, 2017 ADAP report (copy on file). In the month of November, the ADAP program expended over \$2.3 million on 4,542 prescriptions for 2,736 clients. The undetectable Viral Load rate for ADAP clients is 97.48%. New enrollments were 86 and reenrollments were 712. There were 485 patients receiving ACA premium assistance in November. The Phase II expansion should begin in February. Program updates were reviewed and Q-flow data were referenced.

▪ *Partnership Report (reference only)*

*Dennis Iadarola*

Mr. Iadarola directed committee members to the Partnership report. Any questions can be directed to staff.

▪ *Officer Elections*

*All*

Mrs. Meizoso reminded the committee that a memo regarding the elections was shared at last month's meeting and via email. Both the Chair and Vice-Chair are eligible for a second term. Dennis Iadarola, Chair, and Victor Gonzalez, Vice-Chair, indicated their interest. Miguel Puente also indicated his interest in the Vice-Chair position. A ballot was distributed for the Chair position and the committee accepted it.

**Motion to accept the Chair ballot as presented.**

**Moved: Miguel Puente**

**Second: Frederick Downs, Jr.**

**Motion: Passed**

On the basis of the ballot count, Mr. Iadarola was unanimously elected for a second term.

A ballot was distributed with the two candidates for the Vice-Chair position and the committee accepted it.

**Motion to accept the ballot for Vice-Chair as presented.**

**Moved: Frederick Downs, Jr.**

**Second: Miguel Puente**

**Motion: Passed**

On the basis of the ballot count, Mr. Gonzalez was elected for a second term.

**VIII. New Business**

▪ *2016 Epi Profile*

*Rodolfo Boucugnani*

Rodolfo Boucugnani presented data on the epidemiology of HIV/AIDS in Miami-Dade County for 2016 (copy on file). As of June 2017, there were 26,975 living HIV/AIDS cases in Miami-Dade County. There has been a 5.5% decrease in newly diagnosed HIV cases and a 0.2% increase in

newly diagnosed AIDS cases. Mr. Boucugnani reviewed factors that influence disparities, morbidity data, maps and information on death. There was a question asked regarding transgender persons with HIV/AIDS since data for this demographic group were not presented. Mr. Boucugnani indicated he did not have those data sets but will make a request to the State for the information. The issue may be related to the small size of the population. Others indicated that other data bases such as the CADR and ADAP data bases capture some transgender data, as does the Ryan White Part A program.

- *Continuation of Service Description Review: Medical Transportation* *All*

At a prior meeting, the Medical Transportation language had been presented and reviewed (copy on file). The committee wanted to know if the service could be amended to allow for access to newly diagnosed clients. The County indicated that was not possible since only those providers who had contracts would be able to access transportation vouchers. In addition, other restrictions will need to be included in the service description to comply with the County's discount ticket requirements. Lost or stolen tickets will not be replaced. "Providers" will need to be changed to "subrecipients" throughout the document.

- *Local Pharmacy Workgroup* *All*

Mrs. Meizoso indicated staff has been working on contacting potential members, but there have been a few delays. She asked the committee whether the changes that have taking place within the ADAP program have changed the scope of the workgroup. Joey Wynn indicated that while several items may no longer be relevant, it is still important to have the workgroup meet. Mrs. Meizoso indicated that inquiries will be made and possibly in late March or April the workgroup would host its first meeting.

- *Feedback to Improve Client Outcomes* *All*

This item was tabled because of time restrictions.

## **IX. Announcements**

Mrs. Meizoso reviewed the new clients in care, PAC Waiver information from December, Needs Assessment flier and input session and the January and February calendars (copies on file).

## **X. Next Meeting**

The next meeting is February 16, 2018 at the Ryder Conference Room, United Way Ansin Building.

## **XI. Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn.**

**Moved: Miguel Puente**

**Second: Frederick Downs, Jr.**

**Motion: Passed**

Mr. Iadarola adjourned the meeting at noon.