



**Care and Treatment Committee Meeting
United Way Ansin Building
3250 SW 3rd Avenue, Ryder Conference Room
October 5, 2017**

Approved November 2, 2017

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

Guests	
Ayush M. Amar	
Yiovanni Alfonso	
Alex Barros	
Khaleeq Davidson	
Virgil LijFrock	
A.J. Lora	
Mark Nebel	
Angela Ortiz	
David Rigg	
Javier Romero	
Donna Sabatino	
Carla Valle-Schwenk	
Martia West	
Staff	
Bontempo, Christina	Meizoso, Marlen
Ladner, Robert	

I. Call to Order/Introductions

The chair, Dennis Iadarola, called the meeting to order at 10:08 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 requested the following changes: striking the Part B Update, since no report was provided; Carla Valle-Schwenk will provide the Ryan White Program Update report in place of Dan Wall.

Motion to accept the agenda with the changes.

Moved: Miguel Puente

Seconded: Angel Camacho

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 anyone who wishes to be heard, I invite them 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, and the floor was closed.

V. Review/Approve Minutes of August 3, 2017 and September 27, 2017

The committee reviewed the minutes of August 3, 2017 and accepted them as presented.

Motion to accept the August 3, 2017 minutes as presented.

Moved: Frederick Downs, Jr.

Seconded: Angel Camacho

Motion: Passed

The committee reviewed the minutes of September 27, 2017 and accepted them as presented.

Motion to accept the September 27, 2017 minutes as presented.

Moved: Miguel Puente

Seconded: Angel Camacho

Motion: Passed

VI. Membership

Marlen Meizoso

Marlen Meizoso reviewed the vacancy report (copy on file). She indicated there are nine Care and Treatment committee vacancies at this time. If anyone knows of qualified candidates, they can contact staff. Interested individuals can attend a meeting of this or any other Partnership committee, or attend the next new member orientation on December 6, 2017, at Behavioral Science Research.

VII. Reports

▪ *Ryan White Program Update*

Carla Valle-Schwenk

Carla Valle-Schwenk referenced the Part A/MAI expenditure report as of 9/29/2017 (copy on file). Under Part A, a little over 38.24% has been expended in direct services. Under MAI, 56.9% has been spent. There are several reimbursement requests that need to be processed but were delayed by hurricane closures.

Carryover funds were received and amendments for contracts are in process.

An extension was requested for submission of the grant to HRSA because of Hurricane Irma. The deadline has been extended by two weeks.

Ms. Valle-Schwenk thanked those committee members who attended the Emergency Care and Treatment meeting to make decisions on the grant request.

The County is working with the Department of Health (DOH) Part B program to direct up to \$6 million dollars to health insurance through March 31st as pay back for payments made for ADAP clients. The legal details of this transaction are being worked out. These funds would help pay for 2018 ACA premiums. The County is also working with DOH to assist hurricane displaced clients from the US Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. Ms. Valle-Schwenk thanked all the subrecipients for their assistance with hurricane efforts.

▪ *ADAP Program Update*

Dr. Javier Romero

Javier Romero referenced the October 5 ADAP report (copy on file). In the month of September, the program expended over \$2.2 million dollars on 4,111 prescriptions for 2,566

clients. September was a short month due to closures for four days. The undetectable rate for clients in ADAP is 97.68%. New enrollments were 65 and reenrollments were 517. There were 812 clients receiving ACA premium assistance in September. The re-enrollment schedule was added to the report. There were 219 clients with insurance payment issues. Phase I implementation of the expanded formulary is in effect. ADAP is working to identify special formulations that won't be covered under Phase I. There have been 500 clients identified for patient education for the 90 day push.

The 90 day program would be restricted to start the first or fourth month of a prescription. Enrollment dates have been uploaded into SDIS for clients past due three months and those due within the next three months. The program is waiting to upload all ADAP lists of dates. Names of clients who lack paperwork upon arrival at ADAP have been shared with Part A staff. Hours at the ADAP pharmacy have been expanded. A special pharmacy operation for Monroe County clients has been established at the West Perrine location.

▪ *General Revenue*

Marlen Meizoso

Mrs. Meizoso reviewed the SFAN General Revenue report for August 2017 (copy on file). The program served 2,499 clients. The August total expenses were \$443,579. The year-to-date expenses totaled \$852,286.84 of the annual \$7,055,212 allocated.

▪ *Medical Care Subcommittee Report*

Marlen Meizoso

Mrs. Meizoso read the report that follows. The Medical Care Subcommittee:

Heard updates from Part A, General Revenue, and ADAP.

Welcomed Carlos Palacios and Dr. Nolasco-Warden as new members.

Reviewed information on a replacement for Progain, a nutritional supplement, which is being discontinued by the manufacturer. After several months of extensive reviews of the components, cost, and benefits of various nutritional supplement alternatives, the committee recommended Ultra Meal Advance as a cost equivalent replacement.

Motion to add to the Ryan White Prescription Drug Formulary Ultra Meal Advance Protein as a cost equivalent replacement for Progain, which was discontinued by the manufacturer.

Moved: Frederick Downs, Jr.

Seconded: Miguel Puente

Motion: Passed

Because Progain is being discontinued, the Ryan White Program Nutritional Supplements Letters- *Physician Letter of Medical Necessity for Supplementation in Adults* and *Dietitian Referral*- were revised. The subcommittee simplified the letters and updated the references on both sides. *Please note the document is a double sided letter.*

Motion to accept the changes to the Ryan White Program Nutritional Supplements Letters of Medical Necessity as discussed.

Moved: Miguel Puente

Seconded: Angel Camacho

Motion: Passed

Over the last few months the subcommittee has been reviewing language changes to two sections of the Allowable Medical Conditions document, adding a chiropractic/physical medicine section and modifying the podiatry section.

Motion to accept the language changes under Chiropractic/Physical Medicine and Podiatry

to the Allowable Medical Conditions List as presented.

Moved: Miguel Puente

Seconded: Frederick Downs, Jr.

Motion: Passed

Reviewed and made revision to the Outpatient/Ambulatory Health Service Description for next fiscal year.

Motion to accept the changes to the Outpatient/Ambulatory Health Service Description.

Moved: Miguel Puente

Seconded: Angel Camacho

Motion: Passed

Reviewed and made revision to the Letter of Medical Necessity for Roxycodone (Oxycodone) and Percocet (Oxycodone/APAP), adding clarifying language restricting usage to conditions related specifically to HIV/AIDS-related conditions, HIV-related complications and HIV-related comorbidities.

Motion to accept the changes to Letter of Medical Necessity for Roxycodone (Oxycodone) and Percocet (Oxycodone/APAP) as discussed.

Moved: Frederick Downs, Jr.

Seconded: Miguel Puente

Motion: Passed

The next subcommittee meeting will be October 27, 2017.

▪ *Oral Health Care Workgroup Report*

Marlen Meizoso

Mrs. Meizoso read the report that follows. The Medical Care Subcommittee:

Heard updates from Part A.

Continued follow-up discussion on oral health topics including oral health care staff training needs and medical history questionnaires. Additional discussion will take place at the next meeting.

Reviewed YR 27 Oral Health Care Utilization.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 3, 2017.

VIII. Standing Business

▪ *Discussion on the Local Pharmacy Workgroup*

All

Staff reviewed the discussion points on the local pharmacy workgroup (copy on file). The workgroup was recommended by the committee and approved by the Partnership. Much discussion ensued regarding two key points: the number of members on the workgroup, and what the composition of the workgroup would look like. Membership was capped at 15 members with a specific composition. Dr. Romero was suggested for the ADAP representative and Dan Wall was suggested as the Part A representative. The committee believed that quarterly meetings were best since not all the participants would be able to attend if meetings were more frequent.

Motion to recommend to the Partnership that membership on the Local Pharmacy Workgroup be limited to 15 members as follows: one representative each from the five Part A pharmacy subrecipients; one representative from Part A; one representative from ADAP; one representative from General Revenue; one representative from the Medicaid program; three representatives from the affected community; one medical case manager; and two optional seats.

Moved: Miguel Puente

Seconded: Frederick Downs, Jr.

Motion: Passed

Additional stakeholders should be invited such as Joey Wynn and commercial pharmacy chains.

IX. New Business

- *Review Service Descriptions: Other Professional (Legal) and Medical Transportation*

All

The committee reviewed the Other Professional (Legal) and Medical Transportation Service Description (copy on file). The updates to the reference dates and priorities were presented for the service descriptions. The committee reviewed the Other Professional (Legal) service description and no changes to the language were recommended. Under the Medical Transportation a typo was corrected and discussion was held regarding possibly modifying the service description to facilitate clients who are new-to-care/displaced persons in receiving a pass to get to appointments. This special pass would have a fixed amount e.g. \$20 to get the client into care. This item had previously been discussed during the needs assessment as a possible strategy to facilitating getting newly diagnosed clients into care. There are limitations on the monthly passes now. The County will be meeting with Miami-Dade Transit to review the feasibility of the suggested option.

Motion to table further discussion of the Medical Transportation service description.

Moved: Miguel Puente

Seconded: Frederick Downs, Jr.

Motion: Passed

X. Announcements

Christina Bontempo announced that the Partnership is making a concerted effort to recruit PLWHA through social media. Postings are made via Facebook and Twitter. Members and providers are encouraged to "like" the Partnership.

Mrs. Meizoso reviewed the New to Care totals March through July (copies on file). The report totals have been reconfigured to include all new clients, whether or not a bill was submitted and approved. Additionally, October and November calendars were reviewed (copies on file).

XI. Next Meeting

The next meeting is November 2, 2017 at the Ryder Conference Room, United Way Ansin Building.

XII. Adjournment

Mr. Iadarola adjourned the meeting at 11:55 a.m.