

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. New Business

- *FY 2018-2019 Grant Budget: Revision Based on HRSA Guidance* *All*

Dan Wall explained that HRSA grant guidance has been released. Unlike prior years, this year a cap was set on the amount of funding that could be requested. The total cap is \$27,963,028 (5% increase from current award) of which \$25,186,144 would be Part A funding and \$2,776,884 would be MAI funding. Mr. Wall reviewed the Part A and MAI allocation sample document (copies on file). The green section labeled “needs assessment allocation” were the totals approved during the needs assessment, which is a 3.4% increase from the current year’s allocation. The rationale for requesting the additional monies is more people are entering care thanks to outreach incentives and retention in care efforts. During the needs assessment the committee reviewed expenditures and acknowledged that additional funding was directed to certain categories such as insurance support, and reduced in others such as prescription drugs because of ADAP expansion of the formulary. The committee agreed to the adjusted needs assessment allocation totals (colored in orange) which are the cap total using the approved percents for both the Part A and MAI budgets.

Motion to request for the Part A grant the \$25,186,144 and allocated the dollars as presented.

Moved: Travis Neff Seconded: Miguel Puente Motion: Passed

A conflicted member in attendance was asked to leave the room for the vote for the MAI budget.

Motion to request for the MAI grant the \$2,776,884 and allocated the dollars as presented.

Moved: Miguel Puente Seconded: Eddie Orozco Motion: Passed
Abstained: Arthur LaGrome

VI. Announcements

There was a question asked about ACA health insurance premiums. According to recent news media reports, premiums will be going up as much as 45%. In the state of Florida, the rates for certain plans will be lower. As the premiums increase, the subsidies are also being increased for those who qualify. Florida Blue will raise rates by an estimated 26%. Molina has the highest rate increases and may need to be reviewed for enrollment options. All plans selected by the program will need to be cost effective.

The State ADAP workgroup has been having conference calls related to ACA issues. Discussions regarding talks of payback with rebate money were not discussed but will be addressed with each individual Part A.

It is estimated that this year’s expenditure for the insurance service category will be over \$6.5 million dollars. For this year, the insurance cap was reduced to \$750 and clients need to find plans that fall within this cap. Rate effects start in 2018. American Exchange is looking into contingency plans for clients who would be on higher tiered plans.

Marlen Meizoso indicated that FEMA had opened up a Hurricane Irma Disaster Relief Center at the Miami-Dade College Kendall Campus. Additional information will be posted in this week's newsletter.

The Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) has also issued additional hurricane-related assistance. Details on this were shared in last week's notice. A question was raised regarding the disaster relief SNAP program. There appears to be a glitch on their website which is not allowing individuals to proceed forward in the application process.

VII. Next Meeting

The next regularly-scheduled meeting is Thursday, October 5, 2017 at the United Way Ansin Building.

VIII. Adjournment

Mr. Iadarola adjourned the meeting at 10:37 a.m.

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Moved: Frederick Downs, Jr.

Second: Dan Wall

Motion: Passed