



**Medical Care Subcommittee Meeting
 United Way Ansin Building,
 3250 SW 3rd Avenue, Conf. Room C
 July 26, 2019**

Approved August 23, 2019

	Members	Present	Absent
1	Bannister, Christina		x
2	Bowen-McDuffey, Toni	x	
3	Cortes, Wanda	x	
4	Downs, Frederick	x	
5	Goubeaux, Robert	x	
6	Martinez, Frances	x	
7	McFeely, John	x	
8	Palacios, Carlos	x	
9	Romero, Javier	x	
10	Torres, Johann	x	
11	Valle-Schwenk, Carla	x	
12	Vasquez, Silvana	x	
Quorum: 5			

Guests	
Ana Maria Nieto	
Jennyka Tibule	
Christoph Sahar, MD	
Armando Botello	
Alfonso Guerrero	
Ray Sawaged	
Sam Quintero	
Darren Thornton, MD	
Staff	
Robert Ladner	Abigail Schmelz
Marlen Meizoso	

I. Call to Order/Introductions

Dr. Frances Martinez, the chair, called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. She welcomed everyone and asked for introductions.

II. Resource Persons

Carlos Palacios indicated Behavioral Science Research (BSR) staff as resource persons.

III. Review/Approve Agenda

The subcommittee reviewed the agenda. The General Revenue report should be removed from the agenda since it was not sent.

Motion to accept the agenda with the removal of the General Revenue report.

Moved: Carlos Palacios

Second: Dr. Robert Goubeaux

Motion: Passed

IV. Floor Open to the Public

Dr. Martinez read the following: *“Pursuant to Florida Sunshine Law, I want to provide the public with a reasonable opportunity to be heard on any item 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, so the floor was closed.

V. Review/Approve Minutes of May 24, 2019

Members reviewed the minutes of May 24, 2019 and accepted them as presented.

Motion to accept the minutes of May 24, 2019, as presented.

Moved: John McFeely

Second: Carlos Palacios

Motion: Passed

VI. Membership

Marlen Meizoso

- Vacancies Report

Marlen Meizoso reviewed the vacancy report (copy on file). The report is from July 17, 2019 and does not reflect the appointment of two Partnership members. There are 12 vacancies listed on the Medical Care Subcommittee, including several for PLWHAs; one for an MD, DO, APRN, or PA; a medical case manager; a substance abuse provider; and a mental health provider. If anyone knows of qualified members, please have them contact staff.

VII. Reports

- Ryan White Program

Carla Valle-Schwenk

Carla Valle-Schwenk indicated that based on the final expenditures, the total number of clients served in FY 2018-19 was 9,578 at the end of the year. Final year expenditures can be requested of staff.

Current Ryan White Program expenditures as of 7/2/2019 (copy on file) are in the meeting packets. Expenditures are low because not all the contracts had been executed at the time of publication. Currently thirteen amendments have been executed and payments are up to date. There are two amendments awaiting signature at agencies. Sweep number three will be conducted shortly and requests are due by Monday, July 29, 2019.

The 2020 grant application was released on July 1 and submission is due by September 30.

The HRSA site visit went well but issues with understanding program rules, program income and clinical quality management were identified.

Site visit reports are being sent out. Thus far, 40% have been issued and the remaining should be released by the end of August. Once all the reports are issued, Office of Management and Budget (OMB) staff will provide the Partnership, Care and Treatment and Strategic Planning a summary of findings affecting client services.

OMB has provided the local and state Department of Health (DOH) information to submit an application to the CDC for an Ending the HIV Epidemic planning grant. Early collaborative planning efforts have begun with DOH and the University of Miami.

The State DOH has sent out a statewide HIV Needs Assessment survey. Electronic versions of the survey have been sent out as well as hard copies. As of Monday, July 22 only 33% (229 surveys) of the needed 699 surveys had been completed in Miami-Dade.

Changes to the eligibility for services in the Ryan White Program have taking place. All services are now 400% FPL.

A new management information system provider, Groupware Technologies (Provide Enterprise), has been awarded a contract. The "go live" date is expected to be March 1, 2020.

Megestrol has been placed on back order by the manufacturer but should be back in stock by the end of July.

The Subrecipient Forum will be taking place July 31, 2019.

From July 2, 2018-July 19, 2019, 812 clients came through the Test and Treat protocol. Of those who went through the Test and Treat protocol process, 33% received prescriptions.

The Ryan White program is collaborating with UM's IDEA Needle Exchange program to address barriers to care and improving health outcomes for clients with co-occurring conditions.

- Partnership Reports (reference only)

Mrs. Meizoso directed the subcommittee to the Partnership report (copy on file), which detailed the actions by the Partnership.

- Expenditure Reports

- ADAP Update

Javier Romero

Dr. Javier Romero reviewed the June 2019 ADAP report (copy on file). There is a correction on Table 4: the data is as of 7/3/19. The pharmacy expenditures for June were \$2,281,669 for 7,099 prescriptions and 2,640 patients. Reenrollments in June were 995 and 72 new enrollments. Table 9 should be corrected with the total of 5,884 clients. Table 10 indicates enhancements to the program, on 8/19/19 the CVS Specialty Pharmacy pilot program will start to dispense medications.

Symtuza and Dovato were added to the formulary (copy on file). Mrs. Meizoso indicated that a memo announcing the addition and the revised formulary were included in the meeting packets.

Dr. Romero also announced that ADAP Miami has a new website, www.ADAPMiami.com, which has a more user-friendly URL.

VIII. Standing Business

- Hormone Therapy for Gender Dysphoria and RW formulary

All

Mrs. Meizoso reviewed the hormone therapy available for gender dysphoria (copy on file). Pricing was provided in both 340B (which varies) and AWP. Injectables are preferred by most (but not all) transgender clients. An injectable and a non-injectable option should be made available for clients seeking either testosterone or estrogen replacement. Costs vary widely, and hormone support treatment can be for life. It was suggested to add an extra column indicating the yearly cost for the medications in order to make a decision. The testosterone letter of medical necessity will also be presented next month, since this would need to be amended for transgender clients.

IX. New Business

- General Revenue Formulary Review

Wanda Cortes

Wanda Cortes reviewed the General Revenue Formulary (copy on file). Revisions were made and are noted on the last page of the formulary. Medications were added to treat diabetes, dialysis patients and transgender patients.

- Vaccine Access

All

The subcommittee discussed client confusion in accessing vaccines (copies on file). The ADAP program has some vaccines listed on the formulary, but they may not be ordered via their pharmaceutical forms system (PFS system). Ms. Valle-Schwenk indicated that the Part A program can pay for the administration of vaccines through Outpatient/Ambulatory Health Services (OAHS) billing, so long as the administration of

XII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Frederick Downs, Jr.

Second: Dr. Javier Romero

Motion: Passed

Dr. Martinez adjourned the meeting at 10:51 a.m.