

II. Moment of Silence

Mr. Neff called for a moment of silence in recognition of lost loved ones.

III. Introductions (In-person attendees)

Members, guests, and staff attending in person introduced themselves.

IV. Roll Call (Zoom attendees)

Staff read the names of members and guests participating via Zoom. Guests were asked to send a chat message to have their attendance recorded.

V. Housekeeping/Meeting Rules

Mr. Neff presented the PowerPoint, *Partnership Meeting Housekeeping – Hybrid Meetings*, including code of conduct, resource persons, and attendance. Members and guests were reminded that this meeting – including video, audio, and chat box input – is being recorded and will become part of the public record. Members on Zoom were instructed to be on camera during the meeting.

VI. Floor Open to the Public

Mr. Neff 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 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. BSR has a dedicated telephone line as well as a general email address for statements to be read into the record. No statements were received via the telephone line or email.”

There were no comments; the floor was then closed.

VII. Review/Approve Agenda

Members reviewed the agenda.

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Moved: Daniel T. Wall

Seconded: Stephen Herz

Motion: Passed

VIII. Review/Approve Minutes of December 13, 2021

Minutes of December 13, 2021 were posted for review and shown on the screen at the meeting; there were no changes or corrections.

Motion to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2021, as presented.

Moved: Stephen Herz

Seconded: Daniel T. Wall

Motion: Passed

IX. Membership

Appointments of new Partnership members went well for the last round of appointees; additional recommendations will be reviewed during Committee Reports. A copy of the Vacancy Report was available at the meeting.

X. Reports

A. Grantee/Recipient Reports

▪ Ryan White Part A/Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI)

Daniel T. Wall

Daniel T. Wall, Office of Management and Budget – Miami-Dade County (OMB), reported on Ryan White Part A/Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI) Program (RWP) updates. The latest expenditure reports and client count were projected (copies on file). Regarding bus passes, the County experienced underspending because bus service was free through May, 2021 in response to COVID-19. As a reminder, transportation services (vouchers) are intended for transportation to medical appointments.

The RWP year ends on February 28, 2022. Final reallocations and final contract amendments are being processed. The partial award for RWP Part A/MAI funds was received; the County anticipates level funding.

The County is reviewing risk assessments for virtual visits.

Two new staff members are being hired.

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) project officers conducted an Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE) site visit. A virtual meeting with HRSA and stakeholders, and a town hall with HRSA and RWP clients were held and the County received positive feedback from HRSA. Special thanks to all who participated.

The Florida Comprehensive Planning Network (FCPN) statewide meeting was focused on Integrated Plan development. The next meeting is in Tampa, April 6-8, 2022.

▪ Ryan White Part B

David Goldberg

David Goldberg, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County (FDOH), reviewed the *Florida Department of Health Expenditure/Invoice Reports* for October and November 2021. Data presented are current as of the date posted.

FDOH has switched to Provide Enterprise-Miami (PE-Miami). PE-Miami is the same database system used for the RWP Part A/MAI clients, sharing the PE database system will reduce duplication of effort for medical case managers in entering client data.

▪ AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) Miami

Javier Romero

Dr. Javier Romero, FDOH-Miami-Dade County, reviewed the November AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) Miami usage and expenditure data and program notes including updates on Affordable Care Act Marketplace enrollment and income limit changes; Cabenuva utilization; and ADAP Prescription Drug Formulary updates. Sixty-four clients were reported to be using Cabenuva. Approximately 350 clients are receiving medications through the CVS specialty pharmacy, and approximately 1,200 prescriptions were shipped directly to clients via FedEx.

Dr. Romero addressed a question regarding medications not being in stock; ADAP has not experienced that problem. When refills are needed, clients must have a valid prescription on file and have experienced no treatment interruption. Dr. Romero offered to speak after the meeting to persons experiencing problems accessing medications.

▪ **General Revenue at SFAN**

Angela Machado

Angela Machado, South Florida AIDS Network, reviewed the General Revenue (GR) Report for December 2021, for fiscal year beginning in July. Regarding underspending for nutritional services, case managers should be reminded to refer clients for this service, and that food delivery services are available.

▪ **Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)**

Roberto Tazoe, City of Miami, Department of Housing & Community Development, was not present; the report was tabled.

B. Committee Reports

Committee Reports to the Miami-Dade HIV/AIDS Partnership were projected on the shared screen and committee officers and/or members read the motions into the record for the board's consideration. In-person member attendees were provided a paper copy of the report and referenced attachments.

▪ **Care and Treatment**

Care and Treatment Committee chair, Dr. Diego Shmuels, presented the motions in the report. Referenced attachments are on file and were available at the meeting.

Regarding ADAP Prescription Drug Formulary updates, the committee recommended adding medications noted in Attachment #1 will ensure that insured clients can have co-payments covered and will expand the number of medications accessible for co-occurring conditions. A notation should be added to naltrexone indicating that it is only the oral formulation as indicated on the ADAP formulary.

Discussion: Regarding point a. of the below motion, Member Amaris Hess noted there is not an appropriate step-down in medication for the oral formulation of naltrexone outside the residential substance recovery setting. Ms. Hess offered to help draft language for residential substance abuse providers regarding the appropriate use of naltrexone.

Regarding point b. of the below motion, the medications are cost-prohibitive to the Ryan White Program and are available on the ADAP Formulary, therefore the committee recommended not adding them to the RWP Formulary.

Motion to recommend addition of Florida ADAP Formulary medications (September 2021) to the Ryan White Prescription Drugs Formulary, with:

- a. **Adding a notation to naltrexone indicating it is only the oral formulation; and**
- b. **Not adding #8, sofosbuvir/velpatasvir, and #9, sofosbuvir/velpatasvir/ voxilaprevir to the formulary.**

Moved: Dr. Diego Shmuels

Seconded: Daniel T. Wall

Motion: Passed

Opposed: Miguel Puente

The committee reviewed and made some revisions to the Oral Health Care, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse service descriptions; suggested updates to the Oral Health Service standards; and recommended revisions to terminology in the Miami-Dade County Ryan White Program Minimum Primary Medical Care Standards. Details are highlighted in referenced attachments.

Motion to:

- a. **Accept changes to the Miami-Dade County Ryan White Program Minimum Primary Medical Care Standards, (Attachment 2);**
- b. **Accept the changes to the Oral Health Care service description, (Attachment 3);**
- c. **Accept the Mental Health service description, (Attachment 4);**
- d. **Accept the Substance Abuse service description, (Attachment 5); and**
- e. **Accept the changes to the Oral Health service standards, (Attachment 6).**

Moved: Dr. Diego Shmuels Seconded: Daniel T. Wall Motion: Passed

The committee revised the RWP Allowable Medical Conditions List to include pregnancy, since this was not listed; and updated the category *genitourinary/gynecology* to include obstetrics.

Motion to include pregnancy as an allowable medical condition and add obstetrics to the genitourinary/gynecology specialty on the RWP Allowable Medical Conditions List.

Moved: Dr. Diego Shmuels Seconded: Angela Machado Motion: Passed

The committee reviewed service descriptions for Medical Case Management, Health Insurance and Medical Transportation. Additional revisions were suggested to the service category: Medical Case Management Including Treatment Adherence Services, indicated below.

Motion to accept the Medical Case Management, Including Treatment Adherence service description as presented, with minor revisions:

- a. **Keep, “at least every 6 months”;**
- b. **Remove language on closures;**
- c. **Remove Provide System statement;**
- d. **Remove green highlighted language, “in conjunction with the client’s re-certification,” on page 55; and**
- e. **Include language, “as may be amended via formal written notification from the Recipient.”**

Moved: Dr. Diego Shmuels Seconded: Sannita Vaughn Motion: Passed

Motion to accept the changes to the Health Insurance and Medical Transportation service descriptions.

Moved: Dr. Diego Shmuels Seconded: Sannita Vaughn Motion: Passed

▪ **Community Coalition**

Community Coalition chair, Sannita Vaughn, reported the committee recommended two members for appointment to the Partnership. One applicant, Alecia Tramel, was present, introduced herself, and stated her interest in the Non-Elected Community Leader/Not an HIV Provider seat. The other applicant was not present; the committee will forward his recommendation at the next meeting.

Motion to recommend to the Mayor of Miami-Dade County the appointment to the Miami-Dade HIV/AIDS Partnership of Alecia Tramel for the Non-Elected Community Leader/Not an HIV Provider seat.

Moved: Sannita Vaughn Seconded: David Goldberg Motion: Passed

C. Approval of Reports

There were no additional action items from standing committees; Mr. Neff called for a motion:

Motion to accept the Membership, Grantee/Recipient, and Committee Reports as presented.

Moved: Miguel Puente Seconded: David Goldberg Motion: Passed

XI. Standing Business

There were no Standing Business items.

XII. New Business

▪ Officer Nominations

Current Vice Chair, Dennis Iadarola, was nominated for Chair. Sannita Vaughn and Alberto Perez Bermudez will consider serving as Vice Chair. There were no other nominations from the floor. Staff will follow up with nominees. Elections will be held at the March 21, 2022 meeting.

▪ Integrated Plan Survey

Members were asked to promote and complete the 2022-2026 Integrated Plan Community Engagement Survey on Survey Monkey. The link is posted online and will be forwarded to members after the meeting.

The Integrated Plan is due in December. Anyone wishing to be involved in Plan development is welcome to attend the joint meetings of the Prevention and Strategic Planning Committees, as noted on calendars.

▪ Ryan White Client Surveys

BSR is conducting surveys which include a financial incentive for survey completion. Interested persons should contact BSR at (305) 445-1076. Findings will be distributed at the conclusion of the surveys.

XIII. Announcements

Staff announced Get on Board virtual training for March 9, 2022: *Understanding Meetings: From Announcement to Adjournment*, and encouraged participation and help in promoting the training.

Mr. Neff announced he was part of the virtual HRSA Town Hall (see Part A/MAI Report, above), and shared his concerns about service gaps and needs, specifically the lack of affordable housing. Mr. Neff shared his own experiences with homelessness and noted he will be focused on this issue and ensure it is addressed in the new Integrated Plan.

XIV. Next Meeting

Mr. Neff announced the next meeting is Monday, March 21, 2022 at the Miami-Dade Library and via Zoom.

XV. Adjournment

Mr. Neff called for a motion to adjourn.

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Abril Sarmiento

Seconded: Maria Henriquez

Motion: Passed

The meeting adjourned at 11:36 a.m.