

# Allocations Committee



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## Randall Furrow, Chair

Wednesday, February 4, 2015  
5:00 pm to 6:30 pm  
Public Health  
4041 North Central Avenue, Phoenix  
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## Meeting Minutes

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### Attendance

**Committee Members** *AT: Attended AB: Absent EX: Excused ALT: Alternate Present*

EX	Andrea Norman	AT	Cheri Tomlinson	EX	Cynthia Trottier	ALT	Philip Seeger for Debby Elliott
AT	Bruce Weiss	AT	Maclovia Morales	AT	Randall Furrow		

### Guests

Jeff Daniel                      John Sapero                      Alaina Rinne

### Administrative Agent Staff

Rose Conner                      Ken Leighton-Boster

**Support Staff:** Claire Tyrpak

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### Welcome, introductions and declarations of any conflicts-of-interest

Randall Furrow called the meeting to order and welcomed the attendees. Everyone introduced him/herself and declared any conflicts-of-interest.

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### Determination of quorum

Randall Furrow determined that quorum was established with four of seven members present at approximately 5:03 pm.

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### Review of minutes and action items

Participants silently reviewed the summary minutes for the previous meeting. No comments were voiced.

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Funding is provided by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act of 2009 and the Maricopa County Department of Public Health.

Copies of the documents provided to the participants of this meeting may be requested from Planning Council Support.

## **MEETING MINUTES** *continued*

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### **Committee Chair Update**

No update was provided.

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### **Administrative Agent update**

Rose Conner asked Alaina Rinne, the new Financial Support Supervisor in the Part A office, to introduce herself. Alaina stated that she had 17 years of financial experience with the county Public Health department. Rose then discussed a chart of unobligated funds and what balances were likely at the end of the fiscal year, with \$1.5 million likely to be returned to HRSA.

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### **Reallocations**

No items were discussed for this item.

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### **Discussion on raising the FPL limit for Oral Health**

Per Phil Seeger's request, Rose Conner discussed some data that was pulled on clients who fall between 300 to 400% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). She stated that there are 73 clients who fall into this category. Oral health coverage was discussed followed by transportation. Rose suggested that the committee recommends that the PC also raise transportation coverage to 400% FPL. A discussion continued on establishing criteria for definition of meeting unreasonable travel by public transportation, for example, having to travel more than 20 miles or more than one hour on a bus. Cheri Tomlinson suggested also including cross city travel as different systems are needed. Jeff Daniel stated that medical providers encounter difficulties in getting clients from medical appointments to dentists. He discussed the client survey he is currently working on that will result in a final report. He is also conducting a survey of 300 clients who did not use medical case management in calendar year 2014.

Rose suggested the following for PC approval:

1. Increase the FPL for all medical services to 400% FPL. This would include Primary Medical Care, Mental Health, Substance Abuse, and Oral Health starting March 1.
2. Increase the FPL for taxi authorization to 400% for all core and support services for clients that meet the criteria for taxi services. Criteria is identified in the transportation Standards of Care
3. Recommend that the Standards Committee review the criteria to include authorization for taxi for clients that have to travel long distances (possibly 20 miles) on public transportation, or who have to travel for an excessive time (possibly more than 1 hr) on public transportation to reach an appt.

**MOTION:** Phil Seeger moved to accept the first two AA recommendations as presented. Bruce Weiss seconded.

**DISCUSSION:** None.

**OUTCOME:** The motion passed.

**MOTION:** Cheri Tomlinson moved to accept the last of the AA recommendations concerning standards as presented. Phil Seeger seconded.

**MEETING MINUTES** *continued*

**DISCUSSION:** None.

**OUTCOME:** The motion passed.

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**Current event summaries**

No comments were voiced.

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**Call to Public**

No comments were voiced.

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**Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:37 pm.