

Planning Council



Randall Furrow, Chair

Thursday, February 12, 2015
5:00 – 6:30 pm
Area Agency on Aging/Care Directions
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Meeting Minutes

Committee Members

Attended:

Andrea Kamenca	Cindy Alvarez	Cheri Tomlinson	Bruce Weiss
Cynthia Trottier	Edward Tisdale	Debby Elliott	David Aguirre
Steven Gallardo	John Sapero	Keith Thompson	David Garcia
Maclovia Morales	Randall Furrow	Jennifer Bullock	Lisa Fuentes
Ken Bethel	Penny Ellis		

Excused:

Michael Slim	Lucio Amado	Jonathan Harris
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Absent:

Dan Lindell	Abdul Hasan	Eric Moore
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Guests

Becky Gonzalez	Cierra Wingo	Jimmy Borders	Darwin Gunderson
Gwendolyn Osuji	William J Smith	Scott Larson	RJ Shannon
Jason Marlowe			

Administrative Agent Staff

AT	Rose Conner	AT	Kenneth Leighton-Boster	AB	Carmen Batista	AT	Chantie Wingo
AT	Julie Rudnick	AB	Georgina Lowe	AT	Victoria Jaquez	AB	Jane Wixted
AT	Chavon Boston	AT	Alaina Rinne				

Support Staff: Claire Tyrpak

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

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

MEETING MINUTES *continued*

Determination of quorum

Randall Furrow determined that quorum was established with 17 of 23 members at approximately 5:08 pm.

Review of the minutes and action items from the previous meeting

The committee silently reviewed the minutes from the previous Planning Council meeting. No comments were voiced.

MOTION: Cheri Tomlinson moved to approve the minutes. David Aguirre seconded.

DISCUSSION: None.

OUTCOME: The motion passed.

Chair update

Randall Furrow discussed the following:

- When a member leaves and it affects the Executive Committee makeup, a special election is allowed to fill that slot. The Committee is looking for a Community Representative and emphasized that the person needed to be of a not well represented community such as people of color. He asked if anyone wanted to self-nominate. Ken Bethel said he would like to. Andrea Kamenca seconded his nomination. Elections will take place at the March meeting.
 - Supervisor Steve Gallardo has been appointed to the Council and may come to tonight's meeting. He arrived later.
 - He thanked Keith Thompson for his 13 years of service and presented him with a plaque. Claire Tyrpak took a photo of the two members. Randall read a letter from County Supervisor Chucuri to Keith thanking him for his service.
 - Members then shared comments about Keith and Keith spoke about his time on the Council.
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Administrative Agent update

Rose Conner introduced Alaina Rinne, the new Financial Support Supervisor in the Part A office. Rose stated that an RFP has been drafted for Outreach and EIS services. She stated that the grant year closes on February 28 and that 80 percent of the new grant will be received March 1. She also said that Jeff Daniel is contracted to do a survey of providers on their QM plans and a second survey on those clients deemed self-managing, those that received no case management service in 2014.

Reallocations

Rose Conner discussed the proposals that had been approved by the Allocations Committee as follows:

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 hour) on public transportation to reach an appt.

MEETING MINUTES *continued*

A fourth item was added:

4. Allocate \$200,000 for the EIS jail testing program in the new grant year due to a cut from the state prevention program that had previously funded this amount.

MOTION: Andrea Kamenca moved to accept all recommendations of the Administrative Agent. Ken Bethel seconded.

DISCUSSION: None.

OUTCOME: The motion passed.

Completion of Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest forms

Claire Tyrpak handed out the forms to all present members for their signature.

ACA update

- Rose Conner stated that 95 percent of clients had been screened.
- Cheri Tomlinson stated that they are also 95 percent enrolled and that enrollments were happening through Sunday at midnight. She stated Arizona has the highest percent increase of any state for Federally Facilitated Marketplace insurance.
- Lisa Fuentes discussed that all parts met to create a letter for marketplace clients to inform them that they must file taxes by April 15. They have found free and low cost resources to assist those filing.
- Jimmy Borders stated that ADAP is working on vigorously pursuing overpayment of the advanced premium tax credit. This may happen if someone underreports their income when enrolling in the marketplace. All marketplace clients must complete and sign an affidavit.

Standards Update

Rose Conner and Ken Leighton-Boster discussed the new document received from HRSA concerning new service standard requirements. There are 12 items that need to be addressed in each standard. The Standards Committee met to begin the process to address these changes. Universal Standards will be addressed at the next meeting in March. Jeff Daniel will be contracted to revise or develop some of the Standards. Ken then discussed a chart of the Continuum of Care and where each Standard matches up in the chart. Claire will inform the Council of the progress.

Planning Council logo and website redesign

Claire Tyrpak discussed the moving of the Planning Council website from the Public Health Department to its current Employee Benefits and Health department, which will include a redesign for a cleaner look and ease of use. She also discussed a redesign of the Council logo, which may include the HIV/AIDS red ribbon used nationally by most other Planning Councils. Claire stated that the Executive Committee had already given their consent on updating the logo and she asked if there was any objection from Council members. There was no objection so the logo and website redesign will move forward.

Update: Other Ryan White programs

Part B: Lisa Fuentes stated that they have 1,092 in ADAP Assist, 1,543 clients statewide with 1,150 in this EMA. Jimmy Borders stated that they have added three new antiviral drugs and are forming a subcommittee on the formulary.

MEETING MINUTES *continued*

Part C & D: Cheri Tomlinson stated that Part C served 3,174 unduplicated people in calendar year 2014. Their Part D application is being submitted. She thanked all her colleagues for their work with the Test AZ program. They were published in NASW Press for the work with linkage to care.

AHCCCS: Penny Ellis stated that there was a slight decrease in enrollments for the first month, 2300 were processed. They are working on their auto renew process.

State Prevention Program: John Sapero discussed the first HIV Symposium held in January. There were 176 people who attended. He then discussed two media activities: Speak Out, a national anti-stigma campaign and promotion of HIVAZ.org with doctors that resulted in 89 percent increase in site traffic.

Current Event Summaries

David Aguirre stated that Sunday is the final day for Affordable Care enrollment and they were working hard to make sure everyone gets enrolled.

Call to the public

No comments were voiced.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:25 pm.