

Community Health Planning & Strategies Committee



Cheri Tomlinson, Vice Chair

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5:00 pm to 6:30 pm

Public Health

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Meeting Minutes

In Attendance

EX Carol Williams AT Cheri Tomlinson AT Debby Elliott AT Don Welsh
AT Randall Furrow

Part A Program Staff

AT Rose Conner AT Jen Hawkins
AT Kenneth
Leighton-Boster

Guests

Boni Lowney Toby Urvater

Support Staff: John Sapero

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

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

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

All of the documents discussed may be requested from Planning Council Support.

MEETING MINUTES *continued*

Determination of Quorum

Cheri Tomlinson determined that quorum was established with three of five members in attendance at approximately 5:00 pm.

Review of the minutes and action items from prior meetings

Participants silently reviewed the summary minutes for the April 20, 2011 meeting. No corrections were voiced.

Administrative Agent update

Rose Conner discussed:

- The GY 2010 closeout is continues
 - The GY 2011 award has not been announced
 - The AA will provide an end-of-year report to the Allocations Committee and Planning Council
 - The AA continues to collaborate with ADAP to transition clients to ADAP Assist
 - Part A program staff, Planning Council Support staff, and Jeff Daniel from Collaborative Research have reviewed HRSA's new Part A program standards. Providers are being notified of issues that will need to be addressed in order to be compliant with the new standards
 - RFPS for Outpatient Ambulatory Medical Care and Direct Dental Services are in-process
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Chair update

Cheri Tomlinson related that on a recent HIV/AIDS Bureau conference call, it was discussed that Ryan White Parts C and D must also comply with the new Part A program standards.

Cheri discussed that the local Part D program funds Medical Case Management, but not Non-Medical Case Management.

Cheri then discussed that the Planning Council had hoped to merge the CHPS and Allocations Committees. Randall Furrow provided an overview of why the merge is occurring.

Update: Oral Health Services

Rose Conner provided an overview of the Direct Dental Program, and related that the Phoenix EMA was awaiting approval of a carryover funding request to fund these services.

MEETING MINUTES *continued*

Cheri Tomlinson related that Ryan White Part D has a dental program that will end on July 31st. These clients will then become eligible for Ryan White Part A services.

Toby Urvater discussed that an additional staff member has been hired for the Oral Health program. This individual is bilingual.

Cheri Tomlinson provided an overview of a pilot program to engage people to keep their appointments. Toby Urvater related that the Oral Health program will begin reminding clients about eligibility renewals, accessing services, etc.

AHCCCS Eligibility Revisions

Cheri Tomlinson related the Center for Law will be filing a lawsuit in July regarding the changes to AHCCCS eligibility.

John Sapro provided an overview of the Don't Get Dropped retention campaign.

Cheri Tomlinson added that medical providers will be able to look up client eligibility renewal dates. Additional electronic access will be available to providers in October.

Don Welsh asked if there was any service that was not being provided to consumers, due to the lack of a formal grant award announcement from HRSA. Rose Conner related that no existing services were compromised, but new services and EIHA initiatives would not start until the final grant award was provided.

ADAP Assist Update

Rose Conner discussed that 98 clients had been transitioned to ADAP Assist. The Part A Administrative Agency is analyzing the impact of Part A clients transitioning to the PCIP via ADAP Assist.

Cheri Tomlinson related that MIHS will send informational letters to clients who are moved to the PCIP, to explain how the program works. Providers are being trained on the program as well. Two individuals have been dually enrolled in AHCCCS and ADAP Assist effective on the same date. This created billing and logistic challenges. Additionally, a client utilized services at an emergency room, and did not understand the PCIP program. This client learned that he would be responsible for charges he incurred.

Debby Elliott provided another example of a client who had concerns about financial responsibility.

Don Welsh asked for clarification on acronyms and how clients were informed about PCIP. Cheri Tomlinson provided this background information. There was discussion about PCIP benefits and copays.

MEETING MINUTES *continued*

John Sapero related that the Planning Council could host health literacy forums regarding AHCCCS changes and how to utilize PCIP.

Part A Program Standards

Rose Conner discussed the Part A office is completing a plan for ensuring compliance with the HRSA Part A program standards

Agenda items for the next meeting

- ADAP Assist discussion/PCIP
- Oral Health Program Update
- Part A Program Standards review

The committee determined it would change its meeting day to coincide with the Allocations Committee. There was discussion about why the committees were meeting concurrently.

Current events summaries

Debby Elliott discussed that Care Directions has hired a new housing coordinator.

Cheri Tomlinson discussed that TEST Arizona will begin providing routine HIV testing in the Maricopa Medical Center Emergency Department.

Call to the public

No comments were voiced.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:13 pm.