



AGENDA

Allocations Committee
Tuesday, March 12, 2019
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
2601 Tulane Ave., Suite 400

Electronic Courtesy

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1. Welcome/Introductions (2 minutes)
2. Call to Order/Roll Call (2 minutes)
3. Review of Agenda (3 minutes)
4. Review of Minutes (3 minutes)
5. Community Input (5 minutes)
6. Ryan White Program Funding (15 minutes)
 - Part A

There may be motions regarding FY 2018 reallocations or the FY 2019 budget

- Part B
 - Part C
 - Part D
 - Part F
7. Non-Ryan White Program Funding (5 minutes)
 - Medicaid
 - Other Funding
 8. FY 2020 PRASS Planning (20 minutes)
 9. Community Input (5 minutes)
 10. Adjourn

MINUTES

Allocations Committee

February 12, 2019

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

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Allocations Committee (AC) P. Michael Bauman, Jeremy Beckford (Chair), Robert Coleman, AJ Farria, Laura
Members Present: Finnegan (by phone), Kira Friedrich, Clifford Wilson
Members Absent: Joseph Battiste (Vice Chair)
Others Present:
Staff Present: Brandi Bowen, Gregory Howell, Peter Harrison
OHP Staff Present: Vatsana Chanthala

1. Welcome/Introductions: Beckford welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked attendees to introduce themselves.
2. Call to Order/Roll Call: The meeting was called to order at 9:13 AM. Roll was called. Quorum was met.
3. Review of Agenda: Agenda was approved (Bauman-Finnegan).
4. Review of Minutes: Minutes were accepted (Bauman-Finnegan).
5. Community Input: Bowen noted along with the meeting handouts is the Housing Opportunities for Persons Living with HIV (HOPWA) Core Committee recommendation sheet. Bowen invited meeting attendees to fill out the form and she will send it in to the Office of Community Development (OCD).
6. Ryan White Program Funding:
 - Part A: Chanthala reported Part A has expended 90% of its funds. One agency has closed out and the Office of Health Policy (OHP) is expecting to closeout another agency soon. She presented the reallocation recommendations. She noted funds are being moved in order to meet the needs of the community. Chanthala reported the award for Fiscal Year 2019 was received and there was a 2% increase in funding. OHP is doing a contract extension with existing providers. Bowen noted Housing Assistance is receiving an additional funding within the reallocation recommendation. Chanthala thanked the committee for being flexible. Harrison asked about the Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI) Medical Case Management service category and why there were so many unexpended dollars. Chanthala reported the provider has updated their system and not all of the services provided are reflected in the spreadsheet.

POSSIBLE MOTION: TO APPROVE FY 2018 REALLOCATIONS (Bauman-Finnegan). Motion Passed.

- Part B: Friedrich reported there are no significant items expected to impact Part A expenditures for the rest of this Fiscal Year. Friedrich noted when contracts were completed with providers, many contracts were provided with significantly more funds. Medicaid Expansion has provided an opportunity to help expand agencies and build staff capacity. Part B intends to provide a larger level of housing assistance to build a bridge for people to enter HOPWA services. Part B is interested in further exploring client satisfaction across the state. Friedrich also said she was under the impression providers could not balance bill for the provision of dental services. Providers may only balance bill for services if the provider is not in network. Part B is working to ensure providers in the Guardian Network are not using balance billing methods. Part B is looking at how the test and treat program can be implemented throughout the rest of the state. A Request for Information (RFI) for the provision of legal services is being distributed in Regions 3-9. Part B is also looking into case management software to purchase and implement throughout the state. Part B is also working on potentially identifying eye care insurance plans.

- Part C: There are two months left in the grant year. There are two nurse practitioners working 5 days per week.
- Part D: No report
- Part F: No report

7. Non-Ryan White Program Funding:

- Medicaid: Farria reported all of the Managed Care Organizations (MCO) are getting prepared for the Request for Proposal (RFP). A provider satisfaction survey was conducted by the state Medicaid office. All of the MCOs are transitioning to a statewide Preferred Drug List (PDL).
- Other Funding: No update.

8. Housing Update Presentation: Harrison provided a presentation on the current HIV housing situation in New Orleans and examples of other Ryan White Part A allocations from a variety of other Part A jurisdictions. Discussion ensued and a variety of topics were discussed, including: Utilizing the 75/25 rule to expand supportive services and better meet the needs of people living with HIV, other supportive services to assist with expanding the Part A Housing Assistance program, incorporating peers into the provision of housing services, etc.

9. Community Input: No community input.

10. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 10:00 AM (Bauman-Wilson).

I, Jeremy Beckford, Chair of the Allocations Committee, certify the above minutes are true and accurate.

Signature

Date