

Ryan White EMA Planning Council

New Haven and Fairfield Counties



Brian Kuerze & Ken Teel, Co-Chairs

Quality Improvement Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Friday, July 13, 2012
Start Time: 12:02 p.m.
End Time: 1:50 p.m.
Location: Greek Olive, New Haven, CT
Presiding Chair: Ken Teel
Recorder: Tracy Kulik

Summary of Committee Business Votes

A motion to approve the May 4, 2012 Quality Improvement Committee minutes was made by Chris Romanik and seconded by Ken Teel. This passed with 4 for, 0 against and 1 abstention - detail in Minutes. A second motion to approve the six Special Populations was made in advance of the 2013 Grant Application. This motion was made by Chris Romanik and seconded by Tom Kidder. This passed with 4 for, 0 against and 1 abstention.

Council Member Assignments – Approve the six Special Populations for the 2013 Grant Application and review the status of the 2013 Site Visits currently in progress.

Staff Member Assignments – To take minutes and provide insight into the Special Populations.

Attendance Record – 2012

	Planning Council Member	1/6	2/3	3/2	4/12	5/4	7/13	8/3	9/7	10/5	11/2	12/7
1.	Ric Browne	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y					
2.	Kenneth Cousar											
3.	Michael Contreras											
4.	Brian Datcher	Y	Y	Y								
5.	Adaline DeMarrais											
6.	Heidi Jenkins											
7.	Tom Kidder	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y					
8.	Brian Kuerze Co-Chair		Y		Y	Y						
9.	<i>Beverly Leach PC Co-Chair</i>	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y						
10.	Ronald Lee				Y							
11.	Andrew Lyons				Y							
12.	<i>Leif Mitchell PC Co-Chair</i>	Y	Y	Y								
13.	Caesar Moffett, Jr.											
14.	Ken Teel Co-Chair	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y					
15.	Joanne Montgomery	Y		Y								
16.	Cedric Reid			Y		Y	Y					
17.	Christine Romanik		Exc	Y	Y	Y	Y					
18.	Gabrielle Rosa											
19.	Robert Sideleau					Y						
20.	Roberta Stewart					Y						
21.	Dennis Torres					Y						
	Ryan White Office	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y					
	Planning Council Staff	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y					
	% of Council present:	35%	40%	40%	35%	38%	24%					
	Guests: Lauren Tierney											

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(1.0) Moment of Silence

Ken Teel called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m. A moment of silence was observed in recognition of all who have been affected by HIV/AIDS.

(2.0) Welcome and Introduction

All participants introduced themselves.

(3.0) Co-Chair Announcements

Ken Teel reviewed today's agenda and the PCAT with the committee. The Quality Improvement Committee is on pace with its Timeline.

(4.0) Approval of May 4, 2012 QI Meeting Summary

MOTION 1: A motion to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2012 QI Committee was made by Christine Romanik and seconded by Tom Kidder.

For: 4 (Ric Browne, Tom Kidder, Cedric Reid and Chris Romanik)

Against: 0

Abstain: 1 (Ken Teel)

(5.0) New Business/Old Business

a. Review PCAT

b. Review Non-Core funded (Support) Standards of Care

The Standards of Care for the five non-core funded (support) services were reviewed.

These include:

- i. Emergency Financial Assistance (EFA)
- ii. Food Bank/Home Delivered Meals
- iii. Housing Assistance/Advocacy
- iv. Medical Transportation
- v. Substance Abuse-Inpatient Rehabilitation

MOTION 2: The Committee approved the six (6) Special Populations for the 2013 Grant Application for New Haven-Fairfield Counties EMA. These are African American, Aged (45 years of age and higher), Heterosexual, Injection Drug Users, Latino/a and MSM. These are based on HIV incidence (new cases) prevalence (existing cases), disproportionate impact (percent of new and existing HIV disease by group compared to percent in general population and time to enter care and remain in care).

A motion to approve the six special populations was made by Chris Romanik and seconded by Tom Kidder.

For: 4 (Ric Browne, Tom Kidder, Cedric Reid and Chris Romanik)

Against: 0

Abstain: 1 (Ken Teel)

c. Review and Discuss 2012 Site Visit Process

Discussion: The committee reviewed the 2012 Site Visit process that is in process from early July through the 3rd week of August. The following data will be gathered at the request of QIC:

- 1) Standard of Care compliance for 12 service categories
- 2) HIV/AIDS Bureau performance measures for 5 existing and 4 pilot indicators
- 3) Program Monitoring Standards
- 4) Newly Diagnosed data to evaluate EIS and National HIV/AIDS Strategy goals (see below)

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National HIV/AIDS Strategy Goals:

Meet or exceed National HIV/AIDS Strategy (NHAS) Plan: indicators that respond to four NHAS goals:

Goal 1: Reduce the number of people who become infected with HIV (NH baseline in 2011 of 12% decrease for new HIV, 40% for new AIDS as measured by CT DPH; NHAS: 25% HIV/AIDS decrease)

Goal 2: Increase access to care and optimizing health outcomes for people living with HIV –

a. Newly Diagnosed: Increase newly diagnosed entering AOMC within 3 months of diagnosis (NH FF EMA Baseline: 83%), *NHAS goal: 85%*, NH FF EMA goal: 85%

b. Continuous Care: Increase % of PLWHA in 'continuous care' in 2011 as measured by annual site visits. (NH FF EMA is 92% as measured by annual site visits). Improve to 95% in 2012 then 96% in 2013 and 2014, 97% in 2015 (NHAS: 80%)

Goal 3: Reduce HIV-related health disparities: Increase % of PLWHA with undetectable viral load. (NH FF EMA: 85.6%), *NHAS goal: Increase by 20%* (NH FF EMA increased by 18.6% from 2009 to 2010). Target increase by 25% from 2009 to 92%).

Goal 4: Increase the number of Ryan White clients with permanent housing (NH FF EMA baseline of 89% as measured by annual site visits in 2011, target of 90% then maintain). *NHAS goal of 89%*.

(6.0) Announcements

The next meeting is on Friday, August 3, 2012 at the Burroughs Community Center in Bridgeport, CT from Noon to 2 p.m.

(6.0) Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.