

Metropolitan Atlanta HIV Health Services Planning Council
Fulton County Dept. of Health & Wellness
99 Jesse Hill Jr. Drive
4th Floor Conference Room
Atlanta, GA 30303
May 19, 2011
9:00 a.m.

Voting Members Present

Trevalle Ambrose
Dwight Curry Anderson
Deb Bauer
Sonya Chapman
Larry Cook, 1st Vice Chair
Dazon Dixon Diallo, Chair
Reggie Dunbar, III
Gene Farber
Chris Fields
Dolph Ward Goldenburg
Jeff Graham
Carolyn Hodge – Armstrong
Kevin Williams
Larry Lehman
Katherine Lovell

Harvinder Makkar
Walter Moore
Jacqueline Muther
Teresa O’Connell
Necaela Penn
Kenneth Robinson
Nicole Roebuck
Sanjay Sharma
Moneta Sinclair
Bruce Stagner
Carolyn Stephens
Sean Williams
Hermeyone Wilson
Del’Rosa Winston - Harris

Voting Members Not Present

Robert Anderson
Antoinette Barnes
Tiffany Burgess
Jessica Cole
Mary Cowans
Robert Di Vito
Linda Felix
Marvin Ghourm
Tracie Graham
Ernest Hopkins, 2nd Vice Chair
Stephanie Laster
Patrick Kelly

Jacqueline Lee
Ruby Lewis-Hardy
Jeffrey Mitchell
Jeanette Nu’Man
David Reznik
Brenda Russell
Isaac Russell
Charles Shackelford
Laura Siesko
Daniele Thrope

The Planning Council meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Dazon Dixon Diallo, Chair.

A motion was made, and seconded, and passed to adopt the May 19, 2011 agenda.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed to adopt the modified the March 17th Planning Council minutes by correcting:

- **Community Planning Group - The next Georgia Community Planning Group meeting will be held May 23, 2011 in Augusta, Georgia.**
- **The HOPWA Committee conducted a focus group at AID Gwinnett.**

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Consumer Caucus: Trevalle Ambrose - The Consumer Caucus met on Wednesday, May 18th with 33 individuals in attendance and heard Consumer Survey presentations from SEATEC. The Caucus held its first evening meeting in April with 15 consumers in attendance. The next evening meeting will be held on Thursday, August 18th from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at 1237 Ralph David Abernathy Blvd. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 15th from 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. at 1237 Ralph David Abernathy Blvd.

AAOI Update: Hermeyone Wilson - The 2012 African American Outreach Initiative will be held in February. The 2011 AAOI Evaluation report will be presented at the July Planning Council.

Grantee Update: Kandace Carty - The outside review process was completed with sixteen (16) agencies receiving funding and three (3) agencies not considered for funding. Contracts and letters were sent to the sixteen funded agencies stating that the EMA has only received a partial award from HRSA and the contracts cover a four-month period which reflects the amount available for services. During a HRSA conference call the Grantee was notified that the remaining award amount will be announced by the end of June. Yukiko Tani, HRSA Project Officer, and five HRSA staff and consultants are conducting site visits with the Grantee staff and some of the currently funded Part A agencies.

Twelve Cities/ECHPP Presentation: Leisha McKinley-Beach and Donato Clarke from the Georgia Department of Community Health HIV Prevention presented information on the Enhanced Comprehensive HIV Prevention Plan and they look forward to working with the Planning Council and Part A Grantee's Office on this project. (See Attachment)

SEATEC Chart Reviews: Rebecca Culbya and Michael DeMayo from the Southeast AIDS Training and Education Center (SEATEC) presented information on the 2010 Atlanta EMA Ryan White Part A Clinical Performance and the HIV Consumer Survey. The Consumer Survey will launch in June with a goal of reaching 600 clients. (See Attachment)

Committee Update:

Assessment Committee: Steven Bales - The Assessment Committee met on Wednesday, May 4th and discussed the effectiveness of the Virtual Case Management Model that AID Atlanta utilize. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 1st at 9:30 a.m. at Positive Impact, located at 139 Ralph McGill Blvd.

Comprehensive Planning Committee: Katherine Lovell - The Comprehensive Planning Committee decided to postpone their meetings until August 10th. The Committee is waiting for HRSA to release the 2012-2015 Comprehensive Plan guidance.

Council Procedures Committee: Larry Lehman - The Council Procedures Committee has submitted its workplan.

Evaluation Committee: Sandra Vincent - The next Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, June 9th at 2:00 p.m. at Grady IDP, room 354. All provider surveys are due by Friday, June 3rd.

Due to multiple presentations, a recommendation was made to extend the meeting to allow Committee and Task Force updates to be completed.

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A motion was made, seconded and passed to extend the meeting an additional ten minutes for committee updates and public announcements.

HOPWA Committee: Dolph Goldenburg - The HOPWA Committee met Thursday, April 14th at Grady IDP and discussed the results of the Consumer Caucus focus group. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 12th at 10:00 a.m. at Grady IDP to discuss City of Atlanta recommendations for HOPWA funding.

Membership Committee: Hermeyone Wilson - The annual membership drive will start Thursday, July 21st and run until Thursday, August 18th. Due to lack of attendance two voting members were replaced with two At-Large members

Public Policy Committee: Jeff Graham - The ADAP townhall meeting originally scheduled for July will be held in August. The Federal budget was finalized with no cuts to Part A; however, there is a mandatory .02% across the board cut to all domestic discretionary programs. The State cut the ADAP program by \$100,000.00. There are 1,478 individuals enrolled on the ADAP waiting list. There is a national effort requesting the Secretary of Health & Human Services (HHS) to release greater guidance on ADAP funds to pay the out of pocket costs for pre-existing condition insurance pools and to get the secretary to declare HIV and/or AIDS, and or chronic medical conditions with a doctor's certification. Individuals will not need to apply for this but will need to show that they have been without insurance for six (6) months. The Public Policy Committee will request a meeting with Dr. Brenda Fitzgerald to address the growing concerns, such as filing the Part B Treatment and Care Manager Position and the ADAP waiting list. On July 1st, the Division of Public Health will become a stand-alone agency.

Priorities Committee: Kandace Carty - The Priorities Committee will meet at Piedmont Hospital on the following dates in preparation for the FY 2012 allocation process:

- Thursday, June 23rd from 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. for data presentations from SEATEC, and the State (regarding: ADAP and Epidemiology).
- Thursday, July 14th from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. for presentations from Committees and Task Forces.
- Wednesday, July 27th from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. to set allocation and ranking.

Quality Management Committee: Jacque Muther - The Quality Management Committee met Thursday, May 5th with Nicole Roebuck as the new co-chair. The Committee finalized and submitted their work plans and is updating its Quality Indicators. The Committee is working with Part B to ensure that Part A and Part B Quality Measures reflect one another. John Warchol is developing legal standards to present to the Planning Council in July. The next meeting will be on July 7th at 10:00 a.m. at Grady IDP.

Public Forum

Kenneth Robinson: Fulton County Health & Wellness is offering "Together for Life" support group that meets every Tuesday from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Hermeyone Wilson: Edgewood Medical Center located at 212 Edgewood Ave. Atlanta, GA 30303, is offering primary care services, and free at home prescription delivery.

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Jeff Graham: The 7th Annual Evening for Equality will be held on Thursday, June 23rd at the Georgia Tech Hotel and Conference Center, 800 Spring St. NW Atlanta, GA 30308. General admission tickets are \$75.00. For more information, call 404-523-3070 ext. 1.

Walter Bradley: Aniz, Inc. is currently offering HIV support group that meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month from 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at 233 Mitchell St, SW suite 200.

Sharron Fickling: The Long Term Survivors group meets on the 1st & 3rd Thursday of every month at Grady IDP located at 341 Ponce de Leon.

Dazon Dixon Diallo: The United Nations General Assembly Special Session on HIV/AIDS will meet Wednesday, June 8th through Friday, June 10th in New York.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.