

HIV HEALTH SERVICES PLANNING COUNCIL – Priorities and Allocation Committee (PAC)

Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2015, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Meeting Location:

Primary Care Center

4600 Broadway, Conference Room 2020

Sacramento, CA

Facilitator: Mark Underwood - Chair

Scribe: Paula Gammell, Council Staff

Committee Member Attendees:

Mark Underwood - Chair, Chelle Gossett, Adrienne Rogers (Ex-Officio), Mireya Herrera, Susan Farrington, Norman Hamilton, and Tami Emslie

Members Excused: Panco Prince, Ronnie Miranda, Angelita Hogg-Rivera, Tracy Jenkins

Members Absent: None

Guests: None

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| Welcome, Introductions and Announcements | <p>A Welcome</p> <p>B Announcements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day is Tuesday, March 10th and Sunburst Projects is hosting 3 events. One event is a luncheon at the Old Spaghetti Factory, one event at Sacramento State University and a third event at American River College. 2. Sunburst Projects' Camp is July 3rd through July 8th. Applications are being accepted for affected or infected youth between the ages of 6 and 17. 3. Sunburst Projects is hosting the One Love Conference in June which will be held in San Francisco for young adults ages 17-25. Preregistration is required. 4. The NorCal AIDS Cycle is May 14 – 17, 2015. 5. The HIV Health Services Planning Council's Affected Communities Committee has coordinated with Gilead to host an event on September 22 for National HIV and Aging Awareness Day. The event will be held at the UC Davis Cancer Center Auditorium beginning at 5:30 p.m. 6. Cares did not pursue a SAMHSA grant as previously mentioned at the January 2015 meeting. |
| Agenda and Minutes | <p>A Adopt Agenda; Motion to approve the agenda with moving the PAC Self-Assessment up on the agenda to after the Minutes and correcting the 75/25 typo error. Motion was made by Susan Farrington; Second: Mireya Herrera. Amended Motion to approve the agenda to add the FY15 General Directives made by Mark Underwood with a second by Susan Farrington. Amended motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>B Approve Minutes of January, 2015; Motion: Chelle Gossett; Second: Susan Farrington. Approved as presented.</p> |
| FY14 PAC Self-Assessment | Members present completed their self-assessments and submitted them to Staff. |
| FY15 General Directives* | Staff presented the FY15 General Directives which included a newly added directive aimed at service providers. The Affordable Care Act (ACA) has created health care access for legal US residents. As Ryan White services are the payer of last resort, Providers must inform clients of their responsibility to enroll in health care or be subject to a federal fine assessed through the IRS. General Directive 5 addresses this requirement and a sample ACA Acknowledgement Form was presented for the Committee's review. Motion to approve the updated directives as presented was made by Mark Underwood with a second by Susan Farrington and passed unanimously. |
| FY15 Award Update | So far, the TGA has received an award which represents 80% of the prior year's funding. HRSA issued partial funding to ensure continuity of services. The Fiscal Agent anticipates flat funding for FY15 with hopes of a final award by April, 2015. |

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| | <p>The Fiscal Agent anticipates there will be a reallocation of funds from a few providers who underspent in FY14 to other providers who overspent in FY14. This will reduce the potential for carryover funds. All the Minority AIDS Funds have been expended.</p> <p>The Fiscal Agent believes the Board of Supervisors has granted an extension of the current Provider Contracts for an additional three years. The contracts are set to expire in June 2015, however due to changes with the Affordable Care Act and the Ryan White Treatment Extension Act not yet re-authorized, the Fiscal Agent sought to extend the current contract period as it would be difficult to proceed with a new Request for Proposals given new parameters historically set forth by the Ryan White Treatment Extension Act are not yet available.</p> |
| Dental Manual Update* | <p>Upon discussions with the TGA's Project Officer, the Fiscal Agent learned there are no restrictions on specific necessary dental services provided by Ryan White funds. As such, the Fiscal Agent has been in discussions with the current TGA dental provider and the County Dental Coordinator to include <i>posterior</i> (back teeth) partials and porcelain affixed to predominantly metal crowns to the Ryan White Dental Fee Schedule and Ryan White Dental Manual as covered services. Restrictions for these services will be similar to those restrictions for anterior (front teeth) partials and will require a Treatment Authorization Request. Client will have to have the bone and tooth structure to support a "partial". Additionally, discussions have determined that Ryan White will pay for a second cleaning if Denti-Cal pays for the initial cleaning during the year. These additions will update the current covered Dental procedures in order to comply with current Dental standards of care.</p> <p>Motion to approve the dental updates was made by Susan Farrington with a second by Mireya Herrera and approved unanimously.</p> |
| 75/25 Core Waiver* | <p>After discussion, the Priorities and Allocation Committee decided not to recommend the Fiscal Agent proceed with the 75/25 Core Waiver for FY 2015 as the TGA has been significantly under the 25% funding expenditures on Support Services in 2014 and it would be a challenge for the Fiscal Agent to document the need for a Waiver given the current year's utilization figures. However, the Committee maintains the decision to readdress the Core Waiver discussion annually as expenditures may change based on legislative and/or Affordable Care Act changes. Motion not to pursue the 75/25 Waiver was made by Susan Farrington with a second by Chelle Gossett. Motion approved unanimously with the understanding that the application for a Core Services Waiver will be reviewed annually.</p> |
| Public Comments | <p>Susan Farrington reports that she has seen several clients who have had their Medi-Cal benefits suspended based on information provided by the IRS. Any time a client has a change in income and is on Medi-Cal, the client MUST update Medi-Cal. For example, if a client obtains seasonal work during the holidays, the client MUST notify Medi-Cal that their income has changed at the beginning of their employment with their new income <u>and</u> upon termination from</p> |

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| Adjournment | Next meeting: June 8, 2015 |