

Cuyahoga Regional HIV Prevention and Care Planning Council

Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain and Medina Counties

Kimberlin Dennis, Brian Kimball, Christy Nicholls, Co-Chairs



Full Planning Council Minutes

Wednesday, November 16, 2022

5:30 pm to 7:00 pm

Start: 5:35 pm

End: 7:13 pm

Co-Chair: K. Dennis

Moment of Reflection

Welcome and Introductions

Please note: PC members who have a conflict of interest must inform the committee at the beginning of each meeting. A Conflict of Interest, as it pertains to the Ryan White Planning Council Bylaws, is defined as “an interest (actual or perceived) by a Planning Council member in an action that may result in personal, organizational, or professional gain for the member or his/her spouse, domestic partner, parent, child, or sibling.”-

Approval of Agenda: November 16, 2022

Addendum:

Motion: F. Ross

Seconded: J. McMinn

In Favor: All

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 0

Approval of the Minutes: October 19, 2022

Addendum:

Motion: F. Ross

Seconded: C. Droster

In Favor: 21

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 2- B. Gripshover, D. Smith

FLU & COVID-19 UPDATE

Brian Kimball, Interim Director, City of Cleveland

We have roughly 140 new cases and seeing a lot of new cases with residents 20 years and younger, also related to flu among youth. Please continue to practice good safety and hygiene measures. There was one flu death here for the season, and for MPox, there were 152 cases, 91 in Cleveland, 91% male, and 66% black.

***Question:** Is there a new variant of Covid?

***Response:** B. Kimball – There are several out there but not as strong as Covid.

Dr. Barbara Gripshover, M.D., Immunology Medical Director, University Hospitals

Get boosters, flu shots, and vaccines, as it is good to keep people in care.

Recipient Report – November 2022 – Planning Council

1. Recipient Report
 - a. ODH State Integrated Plan – Next statewide meeting will occur 11/17, Planning Council has been asked to sign a letter of concurrence with the Integrated Plan. Will run through QI Committee as lead on Integrated Plan for PC
 - b. Clinical Quality Management Committee- Wrapped up TA with HRSA in October, will look to re-launch committee in 1st quarter 2023
 - c. Next edition of CCBH HIV Services Newsletter aiming to be released on World AIDS Day 2022
 - d. FY2022 trainings held by Recipient:
 - a. **(PC Directive)** Cultural Competency for Dental Providers – held 9/20/22 in coordination with AETC
 - b. Stigma Training - TBA
 - e. Part A Medical Case Manager Network Meeting - next quarterly meeting to be held 1/17/23
 - f. CCBH submitted Ryan White Program Services Report (RSR) in March 2022 to comply with data reporting requirements of HRSA – currently conducting monthly data checks to prepare for CY2022 submission
 - g. **Part A Funding** – presenting reallocation recommendations to S&F in November
 - h. **Ending the HIV Epidemic Funding** - The following projects are continuing in FY2022:
 - a. Social media campaigns (Pride, Hispanic Heritage Month, Black History Month focused campaigns)

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- b. Community Health Worker Certification program
- c. Data 2 Care program
- d. Intensive MCM program
- e. Medical Transportation for non-VLS client's program
- f. Rapid Start of ART program
- g. Peer Navigator program
- i. FY2022 Monitoring – Part A office has resumed onsite monitoring visits for the first time since pre-COVID, will share outcome summary with PC at conclusion of visits
- j. RFPs released for Direct services FY2023/FY2024 and for Planning Council Facilitation and Management: <https://www.ccbh.net/rfqs/>
 - pre-proposal conferences to be held on 11/3

Administrative Report – Z. Levar

- The Statewide Integrated plan meeting is Nov 17th at that meeting the finalized goal will wrap up the process. For those wanting to get involved, tomorrow is the best meeting to attend. They have also asked us to provide a letter of concurrence from PC, which we are coordinating with Qi in this effort.
- The next edition of the newsletter is coming out on World ADIS Day, Dec 1st. To learn more on RW, HIV, or the EtHE programs, info is included in this newsletter. There is also a PC corner, designed to send info out into the community. Which includes an upcoming listening session we hope to do in the spring. More details to follow.
- Clinical Quality Management Committee- Wrapped up TA with HRSA in October, will look to re-launch the committee in the first quarter of 2023 to re-engage providers and get quality projects going.
- Part A funding, reallocation starting and today PC will for vote on recommendations from S&F.
- We have completed 13 of our 14 sub-recipients and will wrap up by Thanksgiving.
- RFP's (Request for Proposal) for 2023-24 grant year were released for both direct services and PC facilitation management, and there will be a Q&A bidders meeting tomorrow. Both RFP's are currently on two-year cycles.

Fiscal Report – Z. Levar

FY2022 Part A Grant: Current Exp. split - 78.46% Core, 21.54% Support, Exp. 50.69%, 7 months (58.33% target)

We are in the safe zone, 78 ½% core, and in good shape. We will start to recommend shifts in categories and address them today. Once recommendations are reviewed, we can adjust funding that might benefit from additional dollars. We noticed the unduplicated count wasn't reflected, so we are reminded to fix that. For clients served, we are at 2,800 and close our 3,200 traditional mark.

Medicaid Update – A. Thomas

We are on radar for word on the public health emergency. For now, we have heard nothing from state on it ending. So, we are operating as if it is being extended to April, keeping in mind the state can always make those increments shorter than 90 days. The federal Marketplace opened Nov 11, 2022 and will be open through Dec 15th for applications. For those wanting to change their managed care entity, they have until the end of month.

Ryan White Part B Update – K. Ruiz

This is a reminder to please talk to patients about syphilis, as the numbers are ***not*** looking good. Even for those on PrEP, there is no indication they won't get other infections. Also, the next Jail Work Group is Dec 1st, for going over protocol drafts and discuss things going on in other states. We will give further updates.

***Question: Dr. Gripshover** – Regarding OHDAP (Ohio Drug Assistance Program) talk of people not on CVS having to go to Kroger or Leader, is this true?

***Response: K. Ruiz** - CVS is our PBM (Pharmacy Benefits Manager). Folks should still have access without changing, but I will follow-up to get more information.

HOPWA (Housing Opportunities for PLWHA) Update – J. Citerman-Kraeger

Finally, just yesterday and today we received some of our contracts. We will send them out in the next two days, and we are excited to have them complete.

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Planning Council Operations-

Monthly Progress Report from HRSA Project Officer (P.O.) – S. Harris

We had a good call with our project officer. We gave her a brief report of committee activity with CLC's 2023 work plan, S&F approving reallocation this month, and the MRM annual membership training and co-chair training today. The officer was pleased and there were no negative issues.

Refresher Reallocation and Carryover Training – S. Harris

Reallocation: The process of moving program funds across service categories after the initial allocations are made. This may occur right after the grant award, since the award is usually higher or lower than the amount requested in the application, and during the program year, when funds are underspent in some service categories and additional needs exist in other service categories.

Carryover: The estimated amount of the Unobligated RW Part A formula grant funds remaining at the end of the grant budget year. Recipients are required to submit an Estimated Carryover Request, together with the estimated Unobligated Balances (UOB), 60-days before the end of the grant year or by December 31st of each year. There are statutory penalties specific to UOB's that exceed 5% of the formula award.

***Question: B. Jones** - What about exceptions for outside providers or nonprofits to provide services?

***Response: S. Harris** – I am unaware of any exceptions related to how grants are awarded. This is a special request and depends on how HRSA wants recipients to address this type of request. Determining who get funding/grants to provide HIV-related services is strictly the role of the recipient (*this is procurement/contracting*), this is not a Planning Council function.

***Comment: B. Jones** - Maybe there can be training regarding exceptions and the process for this.

Motion: To Approve the Recommendation for the 2022-23 Grant Year Reallocation proposal as presented.

Motion: L. Lovett Seconded: J. Stevenson

In Favor: 20 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0

Motion passed.

Motion: To Approve Recommendation of the \$142,000 (5%) Leftover Funds for this year to Carryover and be used next year for Medical Case Management and Other Professional Services (Legal).

Motion: B. Glass Seconded: J. Stevenson

In Favor: All Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0

Motion passed.

DSAS Presentation- D. Smith

As thirty-one percent of the county will be over 60 by 2023, and at least 10.5% are projected to have a severe disability, the mission of DSAS (Division of Senior and Adult Services) is to empower adults with disabilities to age successfully by providing resources and support and preserve their independence. DSAS's priority is to address the social determinants of healthy living such as: food adequacy, access to quality healthcare, housing, transportation, and social connection through programs and services such as: Adult Protective Services (APS), Connection Center (216) 420-6700, Senior Center Funding, Options for Independent Living, and Home Support Services. Currently, our agency is focusing on providing food resources to senior residents, as we are finding there are food deserts in some communities in which there is no access to groceries or fresh foods and veggies. Because of this, food pantries are now playing larger roles in these areas.

***Question: N. O'Neal** - For someone under sixty with limited ability, can they access grab bars or other devices that make it easier to access their homes, and when getting a referral, what is the process?

***Response: D. Smith** - If they are a client through another program, we can help them access things like that if needed? If they can express the need, perhaps they should go through a case worker.

***Question: B. Jones**- If someone has Medicaid or Passport waivers, do they overlap these services?

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***Response: D. Smith** - Medicaid and Passport exceed us, so if they qualify for these we help transition them to these programs, they are just a different funding source. If talking about a Medicaid waiver, we may refer you back to them, as we work in partnership.

Committee Reports- CLC, MRM, QI, and Prevention Committee reports are tabled for Jan 2023 to allow time for the S&F Reallocation and Carryover final review and vote.

Public Comments - None

Announcements

Sharron Harris – “I will be retiring at end of the Grant year, Feb 15, 2023 will be my last meeting. To everyone, it has been a pleasure working with you and I hope I’ve contributed to your understanding of the role of PC and the work you do, that’s why I’ve worked so long, I enjoyed my work and the socialization with so many great people. If I’ve done my job well, you will be able to help the new person get adjusted.”

Adjournment

Motion: J. Stevenson **Seconded:** N. O’Neal

Attendance

	Planning Council Members	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June PSRA	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov
1	Kimberlin Dennis – Co-Chair	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
2	Brian Kimball – Co-Chair	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
3	Christy Nicholls- Co-Chair	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
4	Clifford Barnett	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
5	Jeannie Citerman-Kraeger	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
6	Michael Deighan	20	20	20	20	0	20	0	20	20	0
7	Clinton Droster	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
8	Billy Gayheart	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
9	Brenda Glass	20	20	0	0	20	20	0	20	20	20
10	Barbara Gripshover, MD	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	0	20
11	Deairius Houston	20	20	20	20	20	20	0	20	20	20
12	Bryan Jones	0	20	20	0	20	20	0	20	0	20
13	LeAnder Lovett	20	20	20	20	0	20	20	20	20	20
14	Tina Marbury	20	20	20	0	20	20	20	20	20	0
15	Jeffrey Mazo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	Jason McMinn	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
17	Naimah O’Neal	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
18	Julie Patterson	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
19	Faith Ross	20	20	20	20	0	0	20	20	20	20
20	Karla Ruiz	20	20	20	20	20	0	20	20	20	20
21	Peter Scardino	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22	William Simpson	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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23	David Smith	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	0	20
24	James Stevenson	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
25	*Anthony Thomas				20	20	20	20	0	20	20
26	Joye Toombs	20	20	20	20	20	0	0	20	0	20
27	Stephanice Washington	0	20	20	0	20	0	0	0	0	0
28	Leshia Yarbrough-Franklin	20	20	20	20	20	20	0	20	20	20
29	*Biffy Aguriano										0
30	*Daytona Harris									20	20
	Total in Attendance	26	27	26	23	23	21	18	23	21	23

PC Attendees: A. Forbes, L. Catania, L.J. Sylvia, M. Brooks, T. Green, A. Rollins, K. Rodas

Staff: M. Baker, Z. Levar, S. Harris, T. Mallory