



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 Committee Minutes
Wednesday, January 22, 2025

Full Planning Council Members		Full Planning Council Members		Planning Council Attendees	Recipient Staff	Guest Speakers
1. Kimberlin Dennis	P	14. Talib Mahdi	P	Chris Miller	Monica Baker	Jeff Spiegel
2. Brian Kimball	P	15. Xiomara Merced	A	Brooke Willis	Zach Levar	
3. Christy Nicholls	P	16. Lorsonja Moore	P	Kim Rodas	Danielle LeGallee	
4. Biffy Augiriano	A	17. Naimah O’Neal	P	Jackie Asare (AP)	Lisa-Jean Sylvia	
5. Cielle Brady	P	18. Julie Patterson	P	Michelle Jackson-Rollins	Toni Mallory	
6. Jeannie Citerman-Kraeger	P	19. Sahara Rivera	P			
7. Michael Deighan	P	20. Faith Ross	P			
8. Clinton Droster	P	21. Karla Ruiz	P			
9. Billy Gayheart	P	22. James Stevenson	P			
10. Tiffany Greene	AP	23. Anthony Thomas	P			
11. Barbara Gripshover, M.D.	P	24. Joye Toombs	P			
12. Deairius Houston	P	25. Stephanice Washington	A			
13. LeAnder Lovett	P	26. Leshia Yarbrough-Franklin	P			
Total of 34 in attendance	P = Present AP = Alternate Present EX = Excused Absence A = Absent O = (Other) - Virtual, Phone					
Call to Order	Co-chair, Kimberlin Dennis, called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm.					
Moment of Silence	A moment of silence done in remembering all those past, present, and future in the fight against HIV.					
Quorum Determination	Twenty-two (22) of twenty-six PC committee members present - quorum of (18) needed. <i>(Note: Alternates count towards quorum when representing absent committee members.</i>					
Welcome, Introductions & Conflicts of Interest	All members, attendees, and guests (Jeff Spiegel) welcomed, and asked to state names affiliations, and conflicts of interest in the chat.					
Approval of Agenda	Full PC Committee reviewed and approved the agenda for January 22, 2025. Motion made by Faith Ross, seconded by Julie Patterson. All in Favor. Opposed: 0 – Abstained: 0					
Approval of Minutes	Full PC Committee reviewed and approved minutes from November 20, 2024. Motion by Faith Ross, seconded by Jeannie Citerman-Kraeger. All in Favor: Opposed: 0 - Abstained: (4) -J. Toombs, B. Aguiriano, C. Brady, T. Mahdi					

Recipient Report

Part A Recipient Report – M. Baker

We are ending our grant cycle and looking at end of year numbers. This chart shows November 2024, with a few December invoices included. We are experiencing high usage in most categories like Medical Nutrition, Home Community-Based Health Care Services, Other Professional and Medical Case Management. Our lower usage is with Emergency Financial Assistance (EFA) and we expect that to remain low, as it is only used for emergencies with prescriptions. We are on target with Medical Transportation and Early Intervention Services (EIS) in 79.86 usage overall. Last, the rapid Reallocation process is upcoming, in which we recap expenditures and review our carryover, although there will not likely be one for 2025, as there is not much left to carry over.

Comment: J. Patterson- In being thankful to be over and above the 75% and looking at the reallocation done in November, asking whether moving around has happened on that.

Response: M. Baker - This will be more updated in our next report, as a budget amendment has to be done first before changes can be shown.

Response: Z. Levar - The totals for reallocation are represented on the spreadsheet, the ones for November are now shifted and show on the report.

Question: L.J. Sylvia – In not anticipating carryover, how will we update/prepare providers for that?

Response: M. Baker – They are familiar with the process, as we have provider meetings at the beginning of every grant cycle.

Question: C. Droster- We didn't get carry over last year because HRSA changed the rules, will we still get a carryover?

Response: M. Baker- We followed through requesting carryover, but not expecting there will be one.



Priority Ranking	Category	Total Awarded	YTD Spending %	YTD Spending Total	Unduplicated
	Core Services Total	\$3,394,812.00		\$2,682,789.53	1/21/2025
5	Outpatient/Ambulatory Health Services	1,181,029.00	75.39%	890,395.57	2269
6	Medical Case Management	1,215,684.00	84.74%	1,030,176.74	918
1	Oral Health Care	231,311.00	79.93%	184,888.10	290
11	Mental Health Services	297,324.00	71.56%	212,760.48	508
14	Medical Nutrition Therapy	63,317.00	89.74%	56,818.94	130
8	Early Intervention Services	340,676.00	72.59%	247,286.84	374
12	Home Health Care Services	14,766.00	67.35%	9,944.45	25
13	Home/Community Based Health Care	50,705.00	99.63%	50,518.41	24
	Support Services Total	827,185.00		688,918.59	
3	Medical Transportation	94,971.00	75.85%	72,039.37	1193
15	Emergency Financial Assistance	10,687.00	8.45%	902.61	4
7	Non-Medical Case Management Services	367,341.00	80.86%	297,014.92	1285
9	Psychosocial Support	61,774.00	89.55%	55,315.85	84
16	Food Bank/Home Delivered Meals	95,987.00	82.47%	79,157.32	383
4	Other Professional Services	196,425.00	93.92%	184,488.52	161
	All Totals	\$4,221,997.00	79.86%	3,371,708.12	3189

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Medicaid Update

C. Nicholls - We had a very heavy influx of Medicaid applications during Marketplace open enrollment period, as well as a large backlog. We are working on and have currently reduced this by 2,000. Also, the State of Ohio has drafted a waiver with the federal government on Medicaid for folks, up to age 55 and over age 18, being required to work. Last, if you know of persons needing access to services, please have them contact: Medicaid concerns: Christy.Nicholls@jfs.ohio.gov and Annette.Mosby@jfs.ohio.gov, or call us at 216-987-6789.

Part B Update	<p>K. Ruiz -Our OHDAP (Ohio HIV Drug Assistance Program) Coordinator recently updated the federally blocked marketplace for folks impacted as DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) program recipients. Also, as a reminder to those who receive rebates, they will have to be submitted not later than January. For more info, please reach out to ODH (Ohio Department of Health).</p> <p>Question: N. O’Neal - Is this for citizens losing marketplace? Response: K. Ruiz – This is for DACA children, or “the dreamers”.</p>
HOPWA Update	<p>J. Asare – We just finished the upcoming grant year proposals, notified everyone, and are now waiting for contracts to be signed.</p>
Planning Council Business	
Reflection	<p>What are you proud of in PC for 2024, and what do you want to improve in the year ahead?</p> <p>K. Dennis –Proud of all the work done in committees and ending the year on a good note. Moving forward, we can improve on things and commit ourselves to be part of new committees. N. O’Neal – Proud of all committees this year in going further than last year. We can work on being a more part of the community in our committee work. C. Droster - Appreciate CLC for their work, S&F in or work, and S&F co-chair. K. Ruiz – Appreciate everything learned from PC, in being new and guided by the past representative early on. Everyone does an amazing job. L.J. Sylvia – This reflection also lets us know what we all can do better in this process. Also appreciate Brooke in proofing and keeping an eagle eye on things. T. Mahdi - It was important not just attending meetings, but also events and other work we do, as it made more sense of things. L. Lovett - Proud of all the people who make this work, as it helps those who don’t have the resources to help themselves.</p>
Presentation	<p>PSRA Overview/Timeline – L.J. Sylvia</p> <p>PSRA (Priority Setting & Resources Allocation) is our annual process and the most important activity of Planning Council, as it determines how the Ryan White grant fund is spent. For Priority Setting, the Strategy & Finance Committee leads this process during their meetings in April and May, in which all service categories are ranked. Afterwards, the final ranking is voted on and approved by the full Planning Council at the June, PRSA meeting. For Resource Allocation, this is the process of determining what percentage of funds will go into each service category. This also happen during the June PSRA meeting which will be held on Wednesday, June 18, 2025, from noon to 4:00 pm. For those who want to learn more, or just have questions, please feel free to contact “Lj” at: lisajeansylvia@gmail.com, or 216-264-9858.</p>
Committee Reports	<p>Community Liaison Committee (CLC) - N. O’Neal - We updated our 2025 work plan, and we have a new survey that we are asking people to share, as this helps us in gathering data on how we provide RW services. Also, in looking to step down as chair, would like to speak with anyone interested.</p> <p>L.J. Sylvia - We need help in boosting numbers with the survey, so please share with others. F. Ross - If interested in co-chair, please contact us to discuss in more detail.</p>

	<p>Strategy & Finance (S&F) Committee - C. Droster - In looking at terming off, we will also need a new co-chair for S&F.</p> <p>J. Patterson – Also, we approved our 2025 work plan, had an AFC (AIDS Funding Collaborative) presentation, good discussion on our fiscal report, particularly with carryover, and discussions on sub-recipient parking issues for some RW clients.</p>
	<p>Membership, Retention & Marketing (MRM) – B. Gayheart – We voted on our 2025 work plan, reviewed reflectiveness, started our New Member Orientation planning for April 23rd, gave updates on the 2025 annual forms and the new youth group.</p>
	<p>Quality Improvement (QI) – L. Moore –We approved 2015 work plan, had discussion and updates on the State Integrated Plan (SIP) with Kate Shumate. She also updated on their Community Advisory Board (CAB), particularly on the storytelling component and stigma index project. Last, we postponed review of our deep dive and will look at the questions from brainstorming at our next meeting.</p>
	<p>HIV Prevention (Prevention) - Deairius Houston - Lj updated the brainstorm feedback on topics for 2025, our Community Spotlight presentation was given from the group, Thrive for Change, who spoke on doing more integration with Prevention and Care, in which we will look to add updates to the agenda for that.</p>
<p>Public Comments</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">IN REMEMBRANCE OF BRYAN C. JONES</p> <p>Clinton Droster – <i>“Bryan was a friend, great advocator and person, and he will be missed.”</i></p> <p>Michelle Jackson-Rollins – Taken in part, from the WeThink4AChange resolution to Bryan Jones, <i>“We lost not just a valuable member but also a passionate leader. Bryan Jones was a loving family member, friend, and tireless HIV advocate.”</i></p>  <p><i>A brilliant, spirited human being, outstanding HIV advocate, and dedicated Ryan White Cleveland, Ohio Planning Council Community Liaison Committee (CLC) Member. We thank you for your many years of great service and friendship. Meeting is adjourned... May you Rest in Peace.</i></p>
<p>Announcements</p>	<p>N. O’Neal - Please do whatever you can to help with the survey. Also there will be a conversation webinar, February 1st, from 6-7pm, with heterosexual men and women on how they navigate relationships living with HIV.</p>
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>Meeting was adjourned at 7:04 pm.</p> <p>Motion was made by Faith Ross, seconded by LeAnder Lovett.</p>