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COMMUNITY SERVICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING SUMMARY

THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2011 AT 2:00 P.M.

1. **Welcome and Moment of Silence**

Janice Adams-Jarrells, Co-Chair, called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance. A moment of silence was observed for those living with HIV/AIDS and for those who have passed on.

2. **Roll Call**

The roll was called and quorum was not established.

3. **Public Testimony and Announcements**

Hoggard announced a Job Fair at Essex County College being held on 5/26. Flyers were disseminated to those in attendance.

Hoggard announced that Gilead with Dr. Vaughn is having a luncheon on Women and HIV at the Family Buffet in Bloomfield, NJ on 5/16 at 1pm.

Hoggard announced that the Planning Council is hosting an Informational Session on 5/13 at 2:30pm at the NEMA office. The topics will be the 2011 Implementation of EIIHA and 2011 Part B Updates.

Washington distributed the handout regarding the NJ Medicaid changes being effective July 1, 2011.

4. **Approval of Meeting Summary from April 4, 2011**

The summary from April 4, 2011 was not presented for approval due to lack of quorum.

5. **Updates from Other Committees**

➤ Continuum of Care Committee

Peavy reported that the committee met on Thursday May 12th at 9:30am and had a lively discussion around the changes for Medicaid (as disseminated) and reviewed the committee calendar/workplan. The committee reviewed the Committee Self-Assessment Tool for 2010 and will complete the assessment in June. The committee next meets on Thursday June 9, 2011 at 9:30am. The next CHAMP Sub-committee meeting will be held on Thursday June 2nd at 10:00am at the FutureBridge office located at 55 Eagle Rock Avenue, East Hanover NJ.

➤ Comprehensive Planning Committee

Peavy reported that the committee has not met since the last CSAC meeting. The committee next meets on Friday May 13, 2011 at 9:30am.

➤ Research and Evaluation Committee

Peavy reported that the REC met on April 18, 2011 and discussed updates on the completion of the 2011 Needs Assessment. The committee discussed the progress of the various surveys sent out to Ryan White Providers. The committee next meets on Monday May 16, 2011 at 10:00am.

6. Old/New Business

Hoggard brought up concerns around clients' access to Detox services. Hoggard notes that clients report numerous Detox programs are not accepting them for crack, cocaine, and a "little bit of" alcohol; only accepting them for Heroin and extreme amounts of alcohol use. Some clients reported using higher amounts of alcohol and partaking in other drugs just to get into Detox services. Committee members asked if there are alternative Detox services for non-heroin users, and collectively came up with none. After discussion, the committee agreed to allow Brenda Hoggard to do Public Testimony at the Planning Council meeting to highlight this issue as it has never been brought to the Council's attention before.

Committee Self-Assessment Tool for FY'2010

Committee members reviewed the completed Self-Assessment Tool from FY'2009 to use as a guide in completing the FY'2010 Assessment. Committee members were given instructions regarding Part 1 being completed through a group process and Part 2 being completed individually. Due to a lack of quorum, it was decided to have members in attendance complete Part 2 and engage in a group discussion at the June meeting to complete Part 1.

Discuss 2011 Calendar

Adams-Jarrells advised that the calendar is a "living document" and will be a standard agenda item for review/update. Members engaged in discussion and reviewed calendar items up to August 2011.

Discuss 2011 Needs Assessment

Washington advised that there were two surveys disseminated to Ryan White Providers within the last week, Survey #1 looked at clients who were in care in FY08, did not receive care in FY09, but returned to care in FY10. Survey #2 looked at clients who were in care in FY08, did not receive care in FY09, and did not return in FY10. The data collected will be used in the 2011 Needs Assessment. Washington also suggested members attend CHAMP Subcommittee meetings which are held the first Thursday of the month to learn more about the logic and theory behind the programming in CHAMP.

Discuss August Prayer Conference

Committee members discussed Pastor Tracy's prayer conference and were not consistent on the desired level of participation. Committee members decided to ask Pastor Tracy to be more specific regarding her request for committee participation and will discuss at the June meeting.

Discuss the 2012 Day of Learning

Committee members discussed the 2010 Day of Learning and the history around the event. Washington advised members that the structure of the event is not concrete, and can be formulated to any desired format. Members discussed the need to have a lot of planning time and more bodies to assist in planning.

7. Date of Next Meeting: Thursday, June 9, 2011 at 2:00 p.m.

8. Adjournment : 3:40pm