

**NVH Consortium
June 5, 2014
Summary Minutes**

Zach Hatcher, Vice-Chair, called the session to order at 10:05 a.m. at the Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC) offices.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tamika S. Fair, new Practice Manager for ANHSI's (Alexandria Neighborhood Health Services, Inc.) Casey Clinic was introduced.

Three new members of the Greater Washington Eligible Metropolitan Area (EMA) Ryan White (RW) Planning Council were recognized: Phillip Bailey, Inova Community Health Worker; Tessa McKenzie, HIV Care Health Planner with the Virginia Dept. of Health; and Brandon Nichols, Food & Friends' Community Relations Coordinator.

David Hoover was recognized for his many contributions to the Consortium and the Planning Council over the past nine years. He was presented with three "WWDHD? What would David Hoover do?" bumper stickers. Members were invited to wear a tie and to record "David Hooverisms" that can guide us going forward. The board of VORA (Virginia Organizations Responding to AIDS) also thanked David for his leadership and inspiration. He will be the new Clinical Manager with Inova Transitional Services and will remain on the Planning Council but not Consortium.

Jamaal Alston was introduced as the new Virginia Dept. of Health (VDH) HIV Services Coordinator for the Northern region, replacing Lenny Recupero who has moved to other responsibilities within VDH.

Two of NVRC's former ACA Enrollment Assistors attended: Jan Neitman and Craig Friedmann. They are now with Virginia Health Options.

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No one asked to speak.

MINUTES OF APRIL 3, 2014

The minutes of April 3 were approved without objection.

EXPERIENCES WITH THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT ENROLLMENT

A panel composed of Jennifer Flannagan, ADAP Operations Specialist, VDH; Cheryl Hockman, Case Manager, ARE; Sandi Dineen, Clinical Manager, Inova; Rebecca Filippone, Intake Coordinator, MWHC; Carrie Schaefer, Medical Case Coordinator, MWHC; and Tim Agar, ACA Enrollment Project Coordinator, NVRC; was introduced by Tylee Smith with NVRC. See the attached summary of the presentations.

Health Insurance Co-Pay Assistance – Barb Lawrence reported no big surge in requests for this service at Inova since January.

PLANNING COUNCIL REPORT

- Ron Scheraga reported on the new Planning Council directive that all providers with more than 20% of their clientele over age 50, must provide training for staff in geriatric care. By 2020, 70% of all HIV clients will be over age 50.
- In addition to the three newly elected members from Virginia: Phillip Bailey; Tessa McKenzie; and Brandon Nichols; David Hoover and Ron Scheraga were also sworn in as returning members. One-third of the Planning Council membership is now newly elected.
- David Hoover reminded everyone that in order to vote on Ryan White Priorities and Allocation, members must attend one of the two formal Data Presentations: July 14 at NVRC for Virginia data or June 17 in DC for the EMA data, including Virginia.
- HAHSTA and the DC Medicaid program have had some discussions on sharing information on enrollees, but there is not yet any ability to compare those enrolled in DC Medicaid and ACCESS with those receiving medical care with Ryan White. There has been no discussion, either, on reviewing and possibly revising the formula allocating funds among the three states and the District of Columbia in the Greater Washington EMA.

- Last month the Planning Council voted to apply for a waiver from the requirement that 75% of RW funds be spent on core medical services. NVRC sent a letter in opposition as long as Virginia has so much need for HIV core medical services.

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH UPDATES

- Jamaal Alston, the new HIV Services Coordinator, reported 567 Direct (traditional) ADAP clients in Northern Virginia as of June 4, 2014 with 92 in MPAP (Medicare Part D); 98 in ICAP (Insurance Continuation); and 497 in ACA ADAP-paid insurance. The carriers insuring Northern Virginia ACA ADAP clients with the numbers of enrollees are:
 - Care First 198 clients
 - Innovation Health 259 clients
 - Kaiser Permanente 33 clients
 - Optima 7 clients
 - Unknown 4 clients
- Most PCIP (temporary Preexisting Condition Insurance Program) clients in Northern Virginia transferred over to ADAP insurance. There were very few PCIP clients in Northern Virginia as enrollment closed before it was rolled out for our region.
- VDH has just submitted its request for supplemental Part B Ryan White funding. If received, funds will be used for outpatient medical and laboratory co-payments, outpatient medical HIV care for the uninsured, and emergency financial assistance for non-formulary drugs for the uninsured.
- Revised Part B contractor guidelines are in final review.
- The Case Management (CM) Improvement Initiative Task Force has completed its 2014 Case Management Model and Standards Revision recommendation. A meeting is scheduled for June 24th, where the Ryan White (RW) Part B Quality Management Advisory Committee (QMAC) and the Case Management Improvement Initiative Task Force members will review the suggested model and develop outcome measures that will be used to monitor the implementation of the model. Prior to implementation, HCS will provide training for providers across the state and establish regional CM resource entities to provide ongoing training and support for service providers.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Clinical Care Committee requests temporary assistance from provider staff who code and bill for medical services and track payments. The committee needs to understand which codes are being paid and which are not.

NVRC ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT REPORT

- NVRC has received its Ryan White Part A funds, \$5.7 million for Part A and MAI services, just a little less than last year's initial award (before sequestration).
- NVRC has also received its Ryan White Part B funds, \$600,000, substantially less than last year.
- Providers were asked to send back their contract schedules for Part A and Part B as quickly as possible. NVRC has to turn them in for funders with rapidly approaching federal submission deadlines.
- NVRC's offices will be moving next door, to 3040 Williams Drive, in August or shortly thereafter.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

June Executive Committee Monday, June 16, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.
July Consortium Meeting Monday, July 14, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. - Virginia data presentation, priority setting, and resource allocations for the next grant year (PSRA)
July Executive Committee Monday, July 21, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. IF NEEDED to complete PSRA

Minutes Approved as Written With Corrections

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