

# Ryan White EMA Planning Council

New Haven and Fairfield Counties



Joanne Montgomery & Lauren Gau, Co-Chairs

## Strategic Planning & Assessment Committee Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Date:** Thursday, April 5, 2017  
**Start Time:** 9:46 am  
**End Time:** 11:43am  
**Location:** Burrough's Community Center  
**Presiding Chair:** Lauren Gau  
**Recorder:** Sara Seaburg

### Summary of Committee Business Votes

- Approval of Minutes from the March 2, 2017 meeting

### Council Member Assignments

- Attend Committee/Council meetings as outlined in the Council Bylaws

### Staff Member Assignments

#### (1.0) Moment of Silence

Lauren called the meeting to order at 9:40 am. A moment of silence was observed in recognition of all who have been affected by HIV/AIDS.

#### (2.0) Welcome and Introduction

All participants introduced themselves.

#### (3.0) Co-Chair Announcements

There were none

#### (4.0) Approval of March 2, 2017 Meeting Minutes

There was no quorum and no vote was taken

#### (5.0) New Business/Old Business

- **Review the Strategic Planning and Assessment Planning Council Activity Timeline**  
The Committee reviewed the Planning Council Activity Timeline and determined that everything was on track.
- **Review implementation of Health Care Reform/National HIV/AIDS Strategy and its impact on RW – MCM Health Insurance Survey:**  
Staff presented the results from Survey Monkey from the 3 regions that have submitted their results at this time. Regions, 2, 4 and 5 are all done and we are waiting on Regions 1 and 3. Albana discussed that she had great difficulty getting information from the Waterbury Health Department and although they could collect results, moving forward it would be helpful if Heidi Jenkins from DPH e-mailed all Part B sub recipients to notify them to share their data when we are conducting this survey. What was discovered was that there are 14 clients who failed to renew their insurance who are from the Waterbury Health Department and Waterbury Hospital Part A and these clients will be accessing the EMA's Part A funds. A suggestion was made that all clients should have their MCM name on their



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insurance application forms so when they are up for redetermination, their MCM can notify them of this. An e-mail will be sent on behalf of Joanne and Lauren to Laura Aponte and CC to Heidi Jenkins outlining the Part B issues with insurance coverage and lack of collaboration on collecting this data. Albana is going to identify how many clients of the 14 are from the Waterbury Health Department and get back to us. What was also identified was that there are 62 clients who are uninsured and only 57 of these clients have CADAP. This means that there are 5 clients who are not receiving their medication so Albana is going to look into this to see where those clients are.

- **Review Framework of PSRA**

Staff presented a comprehensive data breakdown of the 2016 – 2017 EMA Wide Allocations based on the full award. This included current allocations for AOMC and MCM cost per client separated out by region. Also presented was cost per client data based on unduplicated client count within the EMA vs. PLWHA in our region according to the DPH. We also looked at the other funding sources for each region and how this is captured into a cost per client per region.

This data will be updated now that the 2016 grant year has ended. Data request for Arvil: 2016 unduplicated client count by service category by region.

- **Identify Datasets/Needs for PSRA and Coordinate with other Committees**

Datasets discussed last month to use:

1. Current MCM N/A will replace the 2012/2013 N/A.
2. Remove Red Ribbon Exercise
3. 2015 Consumer Care Quick Survey
4. Add another survey on viral suppression based on special populations:  
A data request will be made to Arvil to include all PLWHA who are not virally suppressed and broken out by gender, age, race/ethnicity, risk factor, insurance status, housing status. Staff will add undocumented to the spreadsheet that is sent to all regions for this survey.

- **Unresolved Parking Lot Items**

Parking Lot Summary

ITEM	STATUS
Medicaid Expenditures by Service Categories from DSS	Charlotte will request this data from DSS 8/4/16. 9/1/16 – we are still awaiting this data. Update: Charlotte is going to look into this request again, she is not sure they will be able to identify the service categories. 11/3: Charlotte will make a detailed request for their data programmer in January so they can use the new numbers for this upcoming fiscal year. 2/2 – Charlotte suggested that we ask for data from 2016. 3/2 Charlotte requested a list of services categories from staff and this will

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	<p>be e-mail to her. 4/6 – Charlotte received an e-mail back from the person running this report to sit down and talk about it.</p>
<p>Review Our Portion of the Statewide Comprehensive Plan When it's complete</p>	<p>In process – still waiting on the Statewide Comprehensive Plan 8/4. The Plan has a deadline of 9/30 so we will discuss this at our next meeting. 10/6: We looked at this today and staff e-mailed this out to all PC members as well. We will take another look at this next month. 3/2 Staff presented this to the committee today. At this time the CT Integrated Plan is being reviewed by HRSA in order to ensure its accuracy and we are going to wait on their feedback. 4/6 – we are still waiting on the HRSA review.</p>
<p>Directives - What type of evidence do we have or need to prove that the regional funding allocations are working or not working</p>	<p>In process - We discussed this on 8/4 and thought the number of MCM clients would be the number to focus on. A lengthy discussion was heard from all regions represented at the meeting on funding pathways for services received in their region. We will continue to discuss this. 10/6: we continued to discuss this. 11/3: Staff presented comprehensive spreadsheet that captured all funding resources by region and attendees could see the gaps. 2/2 – PC staff and members are meeting with CIRA to identify the best evidence to use and how to gather that. 3/2 there are still meetings with CIRA to help with this. 4/6 we are still continuing to look at this and working with CIRA.</p>
<p>FPL Eligibility for Ryan White Services</p>	<p>In process - Staff has sent this request to Sera Morgan at HRSA and is waiting to hear back. We have heard back from HRSA and we have a data request to determine the impact of changing the FPL for MCM. 11/3: This will be presented during the SPA meeting this month. Staff and PC co-chairs met with Byron Kennedy regarding this and presented data which demonstrated why the FPL cannot be raised from 300% to 400%. Staff presented the information to the committee. This presentation will be added to with more details about the impact that this would have. There will be another meeting and a summary of that meeting will be given in the future. 3/2 Another meeting took place with the Mayor of the City of New Haven and she decided not to raise the FPL from 300% to 400%. This will stay open in case of any appeal. 4/6 – this continues to stay on in case of appeal. A letter was sent to the Mayor's AIDS Task Force outlining everything that had taken place to date. They haven't heard anything back at this time.</p>

**(5.0) Announcements**

There were no announcements

**(6.0) Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 11:48am

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## Strategic Planning and Assessment Committee Attendance Record – 2017

	Council Member	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov
1.	Inthiany Ardila	X	A	A	A						
2.	Bradford Briggs	A	A	A	A						
3.	Cassandra Cokley	A	A	A	A						
4.	<i>Christopher Cole PC Co-Chair</i>	X	X	A	A						
5.	Sabrina Delgado	A	A	A	A						
6.	Heather Garofalo	X	X	X	A						
7.	<b>Lauren Gau Co-Chair</b>	X	A	X	X						
8.	Heidi Jenkins	A	A	A	A						
9.	Gerald Lewis	A	A	A	A						
10.	Raphael Muniz	A	A	A	A						
11.	<b>Joanne Montgomery Co-Chair</b>	X	X	A	X						
12.	Christine Romanik	A	A	X	A						
13.	Mark Sanchez	A	A	A	A						
14.	<i>Roberta Stewart PC Co-Chair</i>	X	X	X	X						
15.	Charlotte Teel	A	X	X	X						
	Ryan White Office	X	X	X	X						
	Planning Council Staff	X	X	X	X						
	% of Council present:	40%	33%	33%	27%						

Guests: Sara Burns, Jim Petinelli, Albana Lame, Nick Boshnack