

**Metropolitan Atlanta HIV Health Services
Executive Committee Meeting
137 Peachtree Street
Conference Call
July 14, 2011
8:45 a.m.**

Committee Members Participating

Jacque Muther	Jeff Graham
Larry Cook, 1 st Vice Chair	Robert Di Vito
Katherine Lovell	Larry Lehman
Jeanette Nu'Man	Hermeyone Wilson
Dolph Goldenburg	

Committee Members Not Participating

Dazon Dixon Diallo, Chair

The Executive Committee meeting was called to order at 8:50 a.m. by 1st Vice Chair, Larry Cook.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to adopt the July 14th Executive Committee agenda.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to adopt the May 12th Executive minutes.

Grantee Update: Kandace Carty - The Grantee received the FY 2011 Notice of Grant Award on July 11th in the amount of \$19,414,685, which includes Formula, Supplemental, and partial MAI funds and compares to the FY 2010 award of \$20,336,855. On Wednesday, July 13th another Notice of Grant Award was received adding unobligated FY 2009 Supplemental funds in the amount of \$109,354 to the FY 2011 award. The final MAI award will be received on or before Friday, July 22nd. Porter Butler is no longer with the Ryan White Program and the Grantee is working with Fulton County's IT Department to hire a new Database Specialist.

	2010	2011	Difference
Formula	\$13,372,700	\$14,110,429	+ \$737,729
Supplemental	\$ 5,291,532	\$ 4,577,299	- \$714,233
MAI	\$ 1,672,622	\$ 836,311	

AAOI Evaluation Report: Jeanette Nu'Man - Three hundred and twenty-nine (329) individuals attended the 2011 AAOI. Two hundred and thirty-four (234) attended Saturday workshops and activities and 95 participated in Sunday workshops and activities. Thirty-eight percent (38%) or 117) of the participants were female, 62% (212) male, and 4% (13) were transgendered. Two hundred and forty-one (241) participants completed the event evaluation form (70% of participants). Ninety-seven (97) percent of registered individuals were seropositive. The remaining 2.8% were significant others and family members. The average length of diagnosis was 11 years with a range of being diagnosed within the first two months of 2011 to living with HIV/AIDS for 30 years. Fifty-one (51) percent of registered individuals had been living with HIV/AIDS for less than 10 years with the largest group (9%) diagnosed in 2010 or

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2011. One hundred eighty-three (183) disclosed on their evaluation forms that they were living with HIV. The average length of time since diagnosis was 12.9 years with a range of newly diagnosed (0.5%) to 30 years (1%). 102 (63%) of respondents have been living with HIV for 10 years or more. Forty-nine percent (49%) reported that they were attending AAOI for the first time. There was a 41% increase in the number of participants attending the afternoon sessions on Saturday (morning attendance – 94 and 75; afternoon attendance – 94 and 95). The time slot with the lowest attendance rate was 9:00- 12:00, the session following the morning general sessions. Though afternoon attendance was higher on Sunday, there was no significant difference in attendance rates.

Committee Updates:

Assessment Committee: Jeanette Nu'Man - The Assessment Committee met last week and discussed the challenges of getting information on the pattern of health disparities and indentifying people with disparate health outcomes within the Atlanta EMA. The Rollins School of Public Health at Emory will be contacted to determine if this data could be gathered through a graduate – level project. The Committee is also looking at the feasibility of utilizing a patient navigator system which uses the assistance of peer navigators.

Comprehensive Planning Committee: Katherine Lovell - The Comprehensive Planning Committee met on Wednesday, July 13th. HRSA has released its guidance for 2012 Comprehensive Plan and HRSA is requiring that the plan be aligned to address the National HIV/AIDS Strategy, Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Early Identification of Individuals living with HIV/AIDS, Twelve Cities Initiative, and Healthy People 2020. The Committee began the update by listing the successes and challenges in implementing the current plan. The Comprehensive Plan is due May 21st, 2012. The Committee will meet twice a month from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. at Grady IDP until the guidance is complete. The meeting dates are as follows:

- Wednesday, August 10th
- Thursday, August 25th
- Wednesday, September 14th
- Wednesday, September 28th
- Wednesday, October 12th
- Tuesday, October 25th
- Tuesday, November 15th
- Wednesday, November 30th
- Wednesday, December 14th

Due to the amount of time involved in completing the Comprehensive Plan, a Committee member suggested that times be designated for specific for committee issues – this way committee chairs would not have to attend all meetings. The Executive Committee also recommended looking at other avenues of hosting meetings, such as webcast and video conference to accommodate members that are not able to attend the required meetings.

Evaluation Committee: Ruby Lewis - Hardy - The Evaluation Committee has received all providers' surveys from the agencies. The Committee will meet next week to discuss the surveys before presenting to the Planning Council at the August meeting.

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HOPWA Committee: Dolph Goldenburg - The HOPWA Committee will meet on Tuesday, July 19th from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. at Grace United Methodist Church located at 458 Ponce De Leon Ave, NE to discuss and review the City of Atlanta's HOPWA recommendations and provide feedback to the City.

Membership Committee: Hermeyone Wilson - The New Membership drive will begin on Thursday, July 21st through Thursday, August 18th.

Public Policy: Jeff Graham – A letter was forwarded to Committee Chairs regarding the CAEAR Coalition's policy update on the "Status of FY2012 Budget" and "Update on Health Care Reform". The present discussions around the budget and federal deficit have huge implications on the short and long term funding for HIV. The Public Policy Committee will meet on Friday, July 22nd at 2:00 p.m. The Committee will work on developing a letter to Dr. Brenda Fitzgerald, Director of the Division of Public Health for the State of Georgia. The ACT NOW town hall meeting was held on June 30th with successful attendance. The Committee will set-up a meeting with members from the Georgia Congressional delegation in August. The pre-existing condition insurance pools project will be launched at AID Gwinnett and Dr. Harold Katner's office in Macon. The State encountered accounting problems which resulted in late payments of health insurance premiums. The question was raised with the state of how the issue would be resolved. Approximately 2 clients are known to have been affected.

Priorities Committee: Robert Di Vito - The Priorities Committee met on Thursday, June 23rd and heard data presentations from the state and SEATEC. The Committee will meet today, Thursday, July 14th from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. to hear presentations from individuals, agencies, committees, Task Force, AAOI, Consumer Caucus and SEATEC. The final Priorities meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 27th from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at Piedmont Hospital to set allocations and rankings for 2012.

Quality Management Committee: Jacque Muther - The Quality Management Committee finalized and submitted its workplan. The Committee is developing legal standards using other cities standards as a model may be presented at the August or September Planning Council meeting. The Committee is looking into adding legal questions to the screening tool process. The next Quality Management meeting will be held on Thursday, August 4th from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at Grady IDP.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed to adopt the modified July 21st Planning Council agenda.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.