

Cuyahoga Regional HIV / AIDS Health Services Planning Council

Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain and Medina Counties

Jason McMinn, Robert Watkins – Co Chairs



Quality Improvement Committee Minutes

Wednesday, November 20, 2019

3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Westshore Opportunity Center

9830 Lorain Ave., Cleveland

Start: 3:03 pm

End: 4:10 m

Facilitating Co-chair: R. Watkins

Moment of Silence

Welcome and Introductions

Approval of Agenda: November 20, 2019

Motion: J. McMinn (*to adjust the Agenda, moving item a. to d. and shift remaining item up*)

Seconded: C. Nicholls

VOTE: In Favor: All Oppose: 0 Abstain: 0

Approval of Minutes: October 16, 2019

Motion: J. McMinn Seconded: R. Rolling

VOTE: In Favor: 5 Oppose: 0 Abstain: 5

New Business

Review/Discuss Housing Report from Part A Funded Housing Staff -Determine Next Steps

Grantee reported that she received the responses today and had not had an opportunity to review it. There were five respondents to the survey. She provided a copy of the housing report to the QI co-chairs for review and the discussion.

The average caseload seems to be an average of 92 clients seen in a month.

Top four needs: utilities, assistance with housing, eviction prevention and homelessness resources.

Clients are utilizing all HOPWA services: specifically, legal and housing lists.

Biggest referrals are HEAP (usually a three-month process) and Cleveland Housing Network.

Barriers: affordable housing, temporary housing, and turnaround time such as: issuing checks to landlords for housing payments.

-Question: What about the City of Cleveland's efforts in housing?

-Response: They want to assess the status and see what needs to be addressed which will take time.

An email will be forthcoming regarding HOPWA.

Grantee Review of Local Continuum of Care (HRSA/HAB Core Performance Measures HIV Viral Load Suppression/revisit all 5 measures in 2020) – Z. Levar

Handouts provided on slide presentation on the TGA Care Continuum for fiscal year ending Feb 2019. In summary, the basis of defining care requires OP visit, CD test, or viral load test within three months

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apart, then you are classified in care. The newly diagnosed rate is 82% for clients received testing within 90 days of input into the database.

Question: For the low ranges of ages two to twelve, would that be due to uninformed parents? Is there any way to raise awareness on these numbers, and if so, is there a role planning council can play in helping to address the problem?

Response: It is an important point and perhaps a planning council member could attend the next continuum care meeting so they can provide an update to the committee.

Comment: The topic can be addressed at the next January meeting. Also consider utilizing patient advisory boards that may offer useful dialog in these issues.

Represent TGA in Ohio Needs Assessment Process – V. Pannakal

Current updates include Ohio University (OU) is looking to expedite the approval process of their survey for year two. The approval of the survey is awaiting the Institutional Review Board (IRB) on Dec. 3rd and, if approved, the survey should go live soon after that time and be available online & in paper. PC will receive ongoing updates. They are also offering a \$15 gift card incentive to participants who take the survey. OU is also considering conducting an on-site visit to one specific agency, and doing one-on-one interviews in each region. Further information will be provided as it becomes available.

Represent the TGA in Statewide Integrated Plan – C. Elrod

-The next Steering Committee meeting is set for 10:00 a.m. on January 17, 2020 at the Dept. of Natural Resources, 2045 Morse Road, Columbus, OH 43229. The current meeting objectives have been met and carried out, and there is further consideration on whether to add more activities in order to broaden those objectives.

-There is also an in-person Housing work group meeting on December 11th in Columbus. However, a calendar is being developed for 2020 which should include all meeting information. The calendar will be distributed when available. Anyone is free to join groups. J. McMinn will plan to attend the January meeting and provide updates to committee.

Quarterly meetings are also held on the second Tuesday. Potential statewide quality improvement projects are discussed at those meetings.

-The Linkage to Care meetings also provide updates on how to get people back into care.

-The Prep Program met their goal and further updates will be provided.

-C. Elrod will do an e-mail distribution of the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) calendar of events for all the meetings.

Question: Are there barriers to services?

Response: There may be which would also make it difficult to get quality improvement data from clients who probably fall through the cracks due to barriers.

Create Committee 2020 Work Plan

Needs Assessment – remains the same.

Each of the four (4) goals should remain the same.

Last year was built on a plan being done with calls using Base Camp. Committee will need to reorganize a plan for next year in January.

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Standing Business

Agree on QI Committee work activity (if any) to be reported at Executive & Planning Council meetings

Done – tabled until January.

Determine formal CAREWare Data Request

Tabled.

Parking Lot Items

Determine whether to review more funded services.

Tabled.

Next Steps

Tabled - with a plan to resolve the housing issue in January.

Announcements

There will be a World Aids Day celebration on Dec. 1st with a meal to follow at Garfield Heights Church, 5711 Turney Road, Garfield Hts., Ohio 44125.

Case Western Reserve University’s Clinical Trials Unit is having a World Aids Day event on Tuesday, November 26, 2019, reception beginning at 5:00 p.m.

R. Rolling was recently elected Chairman for the CWRU AIDS Clinical Trials Unit.

Adjournment

Motion: R. Rolling Seconded: L. Yarbrough-Franklin

In Favor: All

	QI Committee	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov
1	Jason McMinn Co-chair	20	0	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
2	Robert Watkins Co-chair	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
3	Barb Gripshover	20	20	20	0	20	20	20	20	0	20
4	David Johnson	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	Tim Leonard	20	0	20	20	20	20	20	0	0	0
6	Christy Nicholls	20	20	20	0	0	20	20	0	0	20
7	Marlene Robinson-Statler	0	20	0	0	20	20	20	20	20	20
8	Leshia Yarbrough-Franklin	0	20	10*	20	20	20	20	20	0	20
	Total in Attendance	5	5	7	4	6	7	7	5	3	6

PC Members: R. Rolling, K. Dennis, C. Barnett, C. Droster

Staff: V. Panakkal, Z. Levar, S. Harris, T. Mallory

Guests: J. Mazo, I. Mendez, C. Elrod, K. Burnett-Bruckman, K. Rodas