

Cuyahoga Regional HIV / AIDS Health Services Planning Council

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

Naimah O'Neal, Co- Chair



Community Liaison Committee (CLC) – Video & Teleconference

Wednesday, June 3, 2020

12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

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Start: 12:08 pm

End: 1:01 pm

Facilitating Co-chair: N. O'Neal

Moment of Silence

Welcome and Introductions

Listed are some of the introduction updates and/or comments from several members.

F. Ross – “I’m tired right now.”

N. O'Neal – “I’m feeling a little overwhelmed right now.”

C. Droster – “Ok, just wondering when it might be feasible to get back to work.”

T. Marbury – “I’m doing ok, it was hard in the beginning because I’m used to be out and about; my grandkids are a blessing; we enjoyed a date night at a drive in that was opened.”

B. Gayheart – “Doing ok, just doing everything I can, but kind of overwhelmed with everything in the world surprising, but not surprising.”

S. Harris – “Doing ok, watching tv and juggling another project, just trying to stay safe.”

Approval of Agenda, June 3, 2020

Motion: C. Droster Seconded: B. Gayheart

In Favor: All Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0

Approval of the Minutes, March 4, 2020

Motion: To table the minutes from March 4th for the August 3rd meeting so the committee can have time to review them.

Motion: N. O'Neal Seconded: T. Marbury

In Favor: All Opposed: Abstained:

New/Old Business

Peer Led Model Presentation – Robert Watkins

Robert was unable to make the presentation due to a family obligation. It will be tabled for the August 3rd meeting and that will be the deadline, as we want to have a presentation done so can see how we can start to get on board with a peer led model.

It was suggested that, because of the virus, for the committee to come up with creative ways to do the work we do. Some groups and organizations have gone into using to Facebook, Zoom, and so forth to get information to people. Committee members used a strategy session to come up with creative ways and ideas to continue on under the new normal. The suggestions included:

* Developing a Facebook page, invitation only, for PLWH/A; keeping in mind that for those not on Facebook, it may be a problem and some don't want to join as well.

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* B. Gayheart said, the ability to access the Internet is very widespread, with the availability, there are many ways you can get information. N. O'Neal said maybe consider reaching out to case managers of PLWH/A who provide services and get input from them on how people can, or if they are able to access these platforms to get the word out; to open the door to find out who has access.

*Developing a short survey on accessibility of different platforms with these questions:

- Do you have internet availability, or access to these platforms?
- Do you have a phone, tablet, desktop or computer?
- What time, hours of operation or availability works for you?
- Would you consider using different methods of communication or platforms in case you don't want to be viewed?
- Do you have a Facebook page, are you on Twitter, and are you comfortable using that?
- Would you be interested in participating in online conversations?

These items will be circulated for committee review. Sharron will coordinate with Naimah on how to introduce this strategy and develop a survey for distribution. If anyone has questions or additional suggestions, please let the co-chair know so this can come out in August for vote, and then send out.

Committee Work Planning Strategy Session

Parking Lot Items

To reschedule a Lorain County Community Forum. Unfortunately, we have not been able to do this due to the pandemic. When that can be done, we want to make sure everyone is safe and if it is feasible. We also should look at the numbers in Ohio to see who's being tested positive so that we don't want cause conflict by organizing one. Committee members Faith and Billy will contact the Lorain forum organizers about postponing the event until next year and present their update at the next meeting. It was suggested that it may be safer to wait until next year after seeing how things work under current conditions. Also, there has been little guidance on how to proceed with meetings; not knowing how to start without having to stop again based on the challenges of the pandemic. Also, it has been noted that there are some HIV experts who are trying to come up with solutions for COVID.

Survey Housing Needs in the outlying counties

Identifying the housing needs in the outlying counties was a directive proposal. It was suggested to consider a survey for housing needs. This committee will take the lead on coming up with a survey tool to distribute. In August, ideas can be brought to the table on what could be done or should be included in the survey. It was suggested that members continue to reach out to others, do wellness checks, keep in touch, and come up with ways on how to work in this new normal, even without face to face encounters.

Review & Update Consumer Mini-outreach Survey

The committee reviewed and came up with suggestions on what updates are needed for the survey. They discussed whether it should be altered or anything deleted or re-worded. Some comments on feedback from the grievance process was that almost everyone knew of the grievance process, but none had ever used it. Also part of the issue may have been due to the lack of clarity about selecting the top 10 most important HIV-related services. Two questions that could be added to the survey include, do you feel comfortable with filing a grievance, or do you feel there will be too many repercussions, if you did? Also, ask people if they were satisfied with the grievance process outcome. Jeff Mazo agreed to come up with scenarios for re-phrasing some of the

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questions to help make sure everyone does their best to approach the grievance process correctly and respectfully.

Standing Business

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

Announcements/Comments -

J. Mazo - Glad to have the meeting, hoped to have had it last month, we all have abilities to make appropriate changes to do this and help each other in the process.

T. Marbury-This was a good way to attend the meeting, even in the car, it's convenient, glad to be able to do this.

Adjournment

Motion: T. Marbury Seconded: C. Droster

PC In Attendance: C. Barnett, C. Droster, T. Marbury, N. O'Neal, B. Gayheart, J. Mazo, F. Ross, J. Citerman-Kraeger

Staff: S. Harris, T. Mallory

Guests: 0

Reminder: Check your Email or the Website for Updates

Next Meeting August 5, 2020

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