

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

Lorsonja Moore – Chair

Quality Improvement Committee Minutes Wednesday, January 22, 2025

QI Planning Council Mem	bers		Planning Council Members	Planning Council Attendees	Presenter(s)
1. Lorsonja Moore, Chair		Р	Cielle Brady	Chris Miller	Kate Shumate, ODH
2. Barb Gripshover, M.D.		Р	Jeannie Citerman-Kraeger	Michelle-Jackson Rollins	
3. Karla Ruiz		Р	Deairius Houston	Stey (guest)	Recipient Staff
4. Stephanice Washington		Р	Talib Mahdi		Monica Baker
5. Kimberlin Dennis		Р	Naimah O'Neal		Zach Levar
6. Billy Gayheart		Р			Lisa-Jean Sylvia
7. LeAnder Lovett		Α			Toni Mallory
8. Xiomara Merced		Р			
Total of 20 in attendance	P = Pro	esent	AP = Alternate Present-rev. 2.22	.25 EX = Excused Absence A = A	Absent O (Other) - Virtual,
Call to Order	Co-chair, Lorsonja Moore, called the meeting to order at 2:35 pm.				
Moment of Silence					
Quorum Determination	Seven (7) of eight QI committee members present - quorum of five (5) needed. (Note: Alternates count towards quorum when representing absent committee members. rev 2.22.25				
Welcome, Introductions & Conflicts of Interest	All members, attendees, and guests welcomed, and asked to state names, affiliations, and conflicts of interest in the chat.				
Approval of Agenda	QI Committee reviewed and approved the agenda for January 22, 2025. Motion made by Naimah O'Neal, seconded by Stephanice Washington.				
Approval of Minutes	QI Committee reviewed and approved the minutes from November 20, 2024. Motion made by Naimah O'Neal, seconded by Dr. Gripshover.				
New Business Vote to Approve QI Committee Work Plan	PC Facilitator, "Lj" Sylvia gave brief overview on the discussion on the QI work plan. The committee then confirmed the changes presented onscreen and agreed as follows to: Approve the 2025 Quality Improvement Committee (QI) Work Plan, as written. Motion by Kimberlin Dennis, seconded by Stephanice Washington. Motion carried by majority.				
Integrated Plan Update			nate from the Ohio Departmen Plan (SIP) and on upcoming n	• •	-

1. The Ohio Department of Health (ODH) was approached by John Snow International. They are a public health care and health systems consultants and researchers driven by a passion to improve health services and outcomes for all, and they have a website on things in the

integrated plan at: https://www.jsi.com/. With that project, they will be picking one state that has great relationships with all parts in the state to explore best practices, and we understood to be on the short list, as they are also trying to get all Ohio project officers on board, as well. As this project is meant to be an honor, not a punishment, we have a new boss who will be looking to communicate where we are in the Integrated Plan and on what funds may be available to do this project. For this project, we also have ideas on contracting with someone who can lead in this and map out how to move forward.

- **2.** With money available in Cincinnati's Hamilton County Ending the HIV Epidemic (EtHE) grant, we're looking to pilot a program in that area related to the system Wide Goal 3 Program, to help increase the provider network in the HIV care workforce.
- **3.** There is also a stigma index project we are looking to explore and get someone to coordinate, specifically on finding a baseline on how this should be measured.
- **4.** For employment support, there is the organization Ohio Association of Community Health Centers (OACHC), in which anyone can join. We are also working on adding test sites.
- **5.** We are also expanding the linkage to care project to jails, and looking at how we can provide meds to help them get back into care.
- **6.** For ODAP (Ohio AIDS Drug Assistance Program), we are continuing to expand care on long-term injectables, particularly for institutions that have their own method.

Question: N. O'Neal – With the injectable, is better in not having to remember a daily pill, or does it give more physical or mental energy?

Response: S. Washington- It's not being reminded or a mental thing, just better access. Question: L.J. Sylvia - What are years for the new plan, and the costs in mapping out the continuum of care?

Response: K. Shumate – Looks to be 2027, but no specific guidance yet. The main focus is on finding positives and getting them back into care. For continuum of care, we will look to hire a contractor through the ODH approval process.

Response: Z. Levar – The dates for the new plan are 2027-2031.

Question: L.J. Sylvia – In looking at upcoming meetings, how can folks get involved? Response: K. Shumate – We can continue giving updates at PC meetings and provide more guidance as it becomes available. Also, attending community advisory board meetings, although they tend to be more Prevention-focused than care focused.

Question: K. Dennis- When does the 10-week storytelling start and what happens after? *Response: K. Shumate* – We will provide updates on PC Wednesdays but, for now, it's two-hours per time for telling stories, in which they give themes and meet in groups to hear the readbacks. After the class, some may publish things, others may explore stand-up conversations, or it could result in any number of possibilities.

Comment: N. O'Neal - Those born with HIV being part of the story-telling is a good idea, as all groups have something to say. Maybe they can set up different groups.

Response: K. Shumate - For now, it will be one group of PLWH but this may expand later.

L.J. Sylvia - We will look to have two or three more updates for this year on the storytelling project, the Ohio Association of Community Health Centers (OACHC) stigma index project, and the new guidance and updates on future SIP plans in collaborating with the community advisory

	board. For more info on these updates or on the Statewide Integrated Plan (SIP), please contact Kate Shumate at: Katherine.shumate@odh.ohio.gov and 614-980-8172 (text first).
Deep Dive: Analysis of Key Questions	As the analysis on the deep dive just began, the committee will review the results at the next meeting in February. The committee voted and approved to table the discussion. Motion to move the deep dive discussion to next month. Motion made by Dr. Gripshover, seconded by Kimberlin Dennis. Motion carried by majority.
Standing Business	Agree on QI Committee Work Activity to be reported at the Full Planning Council Committee meeting – We will report at Full PC on today's State Integrated plan and deep dive updates. Determine formal CAREWare Data Request (if any) – None.
Parking Lot Items	None.
Next Steps	We will continue the deep dive discussion for next meeting.
Announcements	L.J. Sylvia – The new CLC survey is now available online and paper, and we ask all for help in sharing it with others. Link info at: https://form.jotform.com/243233549598165
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm. Motion made by Kimberlin Dennis, seconded by Talib Mahdi.

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