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BROWARD HIV HEALTH SERVICES PLANNING COUNCIL**
A BOARD OF THE BROWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
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Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee Meeting

Thursday, June 9, 2026 - 9:30AM to 11:30AM
Meeting at Broward Regional Health Planning Council and via Microsoft Teams

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Chair: Dr. Mark Schweizer • Vice Chair: Bisiola Fortune-Evans

Purpose of The Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee: To ensure the effective governance of the Council through the nomination of leadership and the maintenance of foundational governing documents.

This meeting is audio and video recorded.

Quorum for this meeting is 4

DRAFT AGENDA

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- I. Call to Order/Establishment of Quorum
 - a. Welcome from the Chair
 - b. Meeting Ground Rules
 - c. Statement of Sunshine
 - d. Introductions & Abstentions
- II. Moment of Silence
- III. Action Item: Approval of Agenda for June 9, 2026
- IV. Public Comment
- V. Standard Committee Item(s): None
- VI. Old Business: None
- VII. Discussion Items:
 - a. **Action Item:** Overview and Vote on Parking Lot Items ([Handout A1, A2](#)), PCS
Staff
- VIII. New Business: None
- IX. Recipient Report
- X. Public Comment
- XI. Announcements

XII. Agenda Items for Next BLW Meeting

a. To be Determined

XIII. Next SOC Meeting Date: To Be Determined Location: BRHPC and via Microsoft Teams Video Conference

XIV. Adjournment

For a detailed discussion on any of the above items, please refer to the minutes available at the [HIV Planning Council Website](#)

Please complete your [meeting evaluation](#).

Three Guiding Principles of the Broward County HIV Health Services Planning Council

• Linkage to Care • Retention in Care • Viral Load Suppression •

Vision: To ensure the delivery of high-quality, comprehensive HIV/AIDS services to low-income and uninsured Broward County residents living with HIV, by providing a targeted, coordinated, cost-effective, sustainable, and client-centered system of care.

Mission: We direct and coordinate an effective response to the HIV epidemic in Broward County to ensure high-quality, comprehensive care that positively impacts the health of individuals at all stages of illness. In so doing, we: (1) Foster the substantive involvement of the HIV affected communities in assuring consumer satisfaction, identifying priority needs, and planning a responsive system of care, (2) Support local control of planning and service delivery, and build partnerships among service providers, community organizations, and federal, state, and municipal governments, (3) Monitor and report progress within the HIV continuum of care to ensure fiscal responsibility and increase community support and commitment.

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June 2026

Broward HIV Health Services Planning Council Calendar



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	Community Empowerment Committee (CEC) 3:00PM - 5:00PM	3	4	5 Local Pharmacy Advisory Committee (LPAC) 2:00PM - 4:00PM	6
7	8	Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee Meeting (MCDC) 9:30AM - 11:30AM	10	11 Membership/Council Development Committee Meeting (MCDC) 9:30AM - 11:30AM	12	13
14	15 Quality Management Committee Meeting (QMC) 12:30PM - 2:30PM	16 Support Services Network Meeting (CQM) 9:00AM - 10:15AM	17	18 PSRA Committee Meeting 9:30AM - 11:30AM Executive Committee Meeting 12:45PM - 2:45PM	19 JUNE TEENTH	20
21 	22	23	24	25 HIV Planning Council Meeting 9:30AM to 11:30AM	26	27
28	29	30				

Broward Regional Health Planning Council (BRHPC):
200 Oakwood Lane, Suite #100, Hollywood, FL 33020
Links are active and lead to meetings or Awareness Day Information. **Information is subject to change.**

Meetings in **RED** are canceled. Meetings in **BLUE** are for the HIV Planning Council Committees. Meetings in **GREEN** are for the Provider Network. Holidays and meetings outside of the HIV Planning Council are in **BLACK**.

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TODOS ESTAN BIENVENIDOS!	ALL ARE WELCOME!	BON VINI!
A menos que se anote de forma diferente en el calendario, todas las reuniones se realizarán en: Broward Regional Health Planning Council (BRHPC): 200 Oakwood Lane, Suite #100, Hollywood, FL 33020 Para confirmar información acerca de la reunión de Consejo de Planeación HIV, o confirmar la reserva de servicios especiales tales como: Traducción Inglés a Español o a Criollo (Haitiano), servicios para discapacitados en visión o audición, por favor llame con 48 horas de antelación para que puedan hacerse los arreglos necesarios.	Unless otherwise noted on the calendar, all meetings are held at: Broward Regional Health Planning Council (BRHPC): 200 Oakwood Lane, Suite #100, Hollywood, FL 33020 To confirm HIV Planning Council meeting information, or reserve special needs services such as Translation from English to Spanish or Creole, or are hearing or visually impaired, please call 48 hours in advance so that arrangements can be made for you.	Sòf si yo ta ekri yon lòt bagay nan almanak-la, tout rankont-yo ap fèt: Broward Regional Health Planning Council (BRHPC): 200 Oakwood Lane, Suite #100, Hollywood, FL 33020 Pou konfime enfòmasyon ou resevwa sou rankont Konsèy Planifikasyon HIV-a, oswa pou rezève sèvis pou bezwen Espesyal tankou: Tradiksyon angle an panyòl oswa kreyol; oswa, si ou gen pwoblèm wè oswa tandè, rele 48 tè alavans pou yo ka fè aranjman pou ou.
HIVPC Committee Descriptions		
HIV Health Services Planning Council (HIVPC): Continuously monitors, evaluates, and improves the quality of HIV care for Ryan White Part A and MAI-funded patients.		
Executive Committee (EXEC): Oversees the HIV Integrated Prevention and Care Plan, work of HIVPC committees, recommendations, and grievance resolution. Sets HIVPC agendas, manages conflicts of interes, and review attendance.		
Priority Setting and Resource Allocation Committee (PSRA): Recommends priorities and allocates Ryan White Part A funds based on data review. Develops, monitors, and refines eligibility, service definitions, and strategies to meet community needs.		
Quality Management Committee (QMC): Ensures high-quality HIV care by developing outcomes and indicators. Oversees standards of care, evaluates programs, assesses client satisfaction, and training.		
Membership/Council Development Committee (MCDC): Recruits and screens applicants to ensure the Council meets demographic requirements. Provides recommendations, orientation, training for new members.		
Community Empowerment Committee (CEC): Engages in community outreach to Ryan White Part A consumers to inform them about opportunities to participate in the HIV Planning Council and provide input.		
System of Care Committee (SOC): Evaluates the system of care and the impact of policies on people living with HIV in Broward County. Plans and coordinates care across diverse groups to improve access and reduce disparities.		

By-Laws Parking Lot Items as of June 2026

Handout A1

#	Proposal	By-Laws Location (Page Number)	Stated Reason
1	To define ex officio as a member whose position on the Planning Council is tied to their professional role and employment status within their respective agencies, rather than to a fixed appointment period.	ARTICLE III, Definition 10 (Page 4)	Members occupying designated Public Health Agency and Federal HIV Program seats will serve in an ex-officio capacity, per HRSA guidelines. These seats are inherently tied to an individual's professional role and employment status within their respective agencies, rather than to a fixed appointment period. Ex-officio members serve as official representatives of governmental or federally funded programs and provide critical institutional knowledge, technical expertise, and policy alignment necessary for the Planning Council to meet its legislative and programmatic mandates under the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program. Their participation ensures accurate interpretation of federal and state requirements, facilitates coordination across systems of care, and supports informed decision-making related to resource allocation, needs assessment, and service delivery. Unlike appointed community members, these representatives do not serve in an individual or personal capacity. Instead, they serve on behalf of their agency or program as long as they hold the qualifying position. As such, applying standard term limits to these seats would disrupt continuity, weaken interagency collaboration, and potentially hinder the Council's ability to maintain

			compliance with federal expectations for coordination with public health authorities and HIV programs. Additionally, turnover in these roles is already governed by changes in employment. When a representative leaves their position, a successor is designated by the respective agency, ensuring that the seat remains filled by an appropriate and authorized representative without the need for term-based rotation. For these reasons, exempting ex-officio members representing Public Health Agency and Federal HIV Program seats from term limits is both practical and necessary. This exemption preserves continuity, strengthens coordination between stakeholders, and supports the Planning Council's capacity to effectively carry out its responsibilities.
2	To authorize the immediate past Council Chair or Vice Chair to preside over a committee meeting in the absence of both the committee's current Chair and Vice Chair.	ARTICLE V, Section 6 (Page 10) ARTICLE VIII, Section 3 (Page 15, 16)	The immediate past Chair or Vice Chair of the Planning Council possesses the institutional knowledge and leadership experience necessary to effectively conduct committee meetings. Authorizing these individuals to preside in the absence of the committee's current Chair and Vice Chair will help ensure continuity of operations.
3	To authorize the immediate past Council Vice Chair to preside over a Council meeting in the absence of both the Council's current Chair and Vice Chair	ARTICLE VI, Section 7, Subsection A and Subsection B (Page 13)	The immediate past Vice Chair of the Planning Council possesses the institutional knowledge and leadership experience necessary to effectively conduct committee meetings. Authorizing this individual to preside in the absence of the committee's current Chair and Vice Chair will help ensure continuity of operations.

4	To reestablish the Local Pharmacy Assistance Committee as a standing committee of the Planning Council. Approved by the Executive Committee on (date).	ARTICLE VIII, Section 2 (Page 15) ARTICLE VIII, Section 12 (Page 20)	Recent changes to Florida's AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) have created a need for dedicated oversight of the formulary within the Fort Lauderdale/Broward EMA. Reestablishing the Local Pharmacy Assistance Committee as a standing committee of the Planning Council will provide an appropriate structure for ongoing review, coordination, and oversight of formulary-related matters.
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BROWARD COUNTY HIV HEALTH SERVICES
PLANNING COUNCIL

BY-LAWS

Last Amended: August 28, 2025

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By-Laws of the Broward County HIV Health Services Planning Council

Adopted: January 1992

Amended: April 1995, April 1996, November 1996, June 1998, March 1999, May 1999, February 2000, January 2002, September 2004, April 2006, January 2010, January 2012, May 2013, December 2013, May 2014, July 2014, March 2015, July 2015, August 2015, December 2015, April 2017, August 2017, October 2018, February 2023, January 2024, August 2025, June 2026

ARTICLE I: Name and Area of Service

- SECTION 1: The name of the Planning Council shall be “The Broward County HIV Health Services Planning Council” (Council) or such successor name as may be designated by the Broward County Board of County Commissioners.
- SECTION 2: The area served by the Council shall be Broward County, Florida. The governing body of Broward County is the Broward County Board of County Commissioners.
- SECTION 3: The Council is established by a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners codified in Part X of Chapter (12 of the Broward County Administrative Code as amended by the Board of County Commissioners.

ARTICLE II: Purpose, Mission, Vision, and Duties

- SECTION 1: The purpose of the Council is to provide planning to promote the development of HIV/AIDS health services, personnel, and facilities that cost-effectively meet identified health needs, reduce inefficiencies, and develop HIV-related health plans.
- SECTION 2: The Council's mission is to direct and coordinate an effective response to the HIV epidemic in Broward County to ensure high-quality, comprehensive care that positively impacts the health of individuals at all stages of illness. In so doing, the council: (1) fosters the substantive involvement of the HIV-affected communities in assuring consumer satisfaction, identifying priority needs, and planning a responsive system of care, (2) supports local control of planning and service delivery, and builds partnerships among service providers, community organizations, and federal, state, and municipal governments, (3) monitors and reports progress within the HIV continuum of care to ensure fiscal responsibility and increase community support and commitment.

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SECTION 3: The Council's vision is to ensure the delivery of high-quality, comprehensive HIV/AIDS services to low-income and uninsured Broward County residents living with HIV, by providing a targeted, coordinated, cost-effective, sustainable, and client-centered system of care.

SECTION 4: The duties of the Council shall be those specified by the Ryan White Act.

ARTICLE III: Definitions

1. Ad-Hoc Committee: A committee established for a limited time or for a specific, defined purpose.
2. Alternate: A person appointed by the Board who may be called upon to serve as a voting member of the Council under certain conditions.
3. Board: The Broward County Board of County Commissioners.
4. Cause: An action determined by the Council to warrant discipline or removal from the Council or a Committee.
5. Committee: A group established by the Council to carry out Council-related business.
6. Community Stakeholder: A representative from Ryan White Parts B, C, D, or F, Prevention, or from the broader HIV/AIDS care community, including consumers, providers, Recipient agencies, and policy makers.
7. Consumer: An individual eligible to receive services under the Ryan White Care Act.
8. Council: The Broward HIV Health Services Planning Council, created under Chapter 21, Part X of the Broward County Administrative Code and mandated by the Ryan White Act, Part A.
9. EMA (Eligible Metropolitan Area): A geographic area designated for Ryan White Part A funding.
10. Ex Officio: ~~A committee member who does not have voting rights and is not counted toward quorum.~~ (1) Upon assuming the office of Chair or Vice Chair, an individual automatically attains ex officio membership with all associated rights and responsibilities. Upon leaving that office, their ex officio membership ends without the need for formal resignation or board action. As such, the immediate past Chair and immediate past Vice Chair may be authorized to preside over meetings in the absence of the current Chair or Vice Chair, as designated by the board or governing rules. (2) Term Limits ex officio - A member whose position on the Planning Council is tied to their professional role and employment status within their respective agencies, rather than to a fixed appointment period.
11. Manual: The Council's Local Policies and Procedures Manual.
12. Member: An individual appointed to the Council by the Board of County Commissioners.
13. Non-Elected Community Leader: A person active in the community who has not been elected through formal governmental elections.
14. PWH/ PWHA: A person living with HIV/ AIDS.
15. Part A: The section of the Ryan White Act administered by the County (Department of Human

Services – Community Partnership Division) with input from the Council.

16. Ryan White Act: The Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act of 2009.

17. Unaffiliated Consumer: An individual receiving HIV-related services from Ryan White Part A-funded providers who is not compensated by, employed by, or representing any provider funded under the Ryan White Act.

18. Work Group: A task-specific group that provides recommendations but is not subject to attendance, membership, or quorum requirements.

ARTICLE IV: Membership

SECTION 1: Appointment to the Council

1. The Broward County Board of County Commissioners shall appoint all Members and Alternates of the Council.
2. The Council shall consist of not less than twenty (20) members nor more than thirty-five (35) members.
3. The process for forwarding recommendations to the Board is outlined in the Membership/Council Development Committee Section of the Local Policies and Procedure Manual.

SECTION 2: Financial Interest

No individual shall serve on the Planning Council unless they agree to the following:

If the individual is employed by, or is a member of, any public or private entity or organization that is seeking funding under the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program, and the individual has a financial interest in said entity or organization, the individual shall abstain from participating—either directly or in an advisory capacity—in any deliberation, decision-making, or voting process related to the selection of entities to receive such funding for the purpose in question.

SECTION 3: Council Membership Requirements

The composition of the Planning Council shall adhere to the requirements outlined in the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act, as amended. Membership must reflect the structure and representation mandated by the Act to ensure compliance and reflectiveness.

SECTION 4: Recruitment Efforts

Active recruitment efforts shall be undertaken to attract qualified candidates for membership of the Planning Council and its committees. Special emphasis will be placed on achieving gender balance and ensuring meaningful representation of racial and ethnic minorities, in a manner that reflects the demographics of the Eligible Metropolitan Area (EMA).

SECTION 5: HIV Representation

To support the Council's goal of increasing representation of individuals living with HIV/AIDS, it is recommended that, whenever possible, the Council prioritize nominating PWH to fill vacancies across all applicable membership categories.

SECTION 6: Office Term.

The term of office for Planning Council members and their alternates shall be determined at the discretion of the Broward County Board of County Commissioners, in accordance with Article XII, Section 1-233 of the Broward County Code.

SECTION 7: Term Limits.

The Council will adhere to the March 14, 2023, resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Broward County, pertaining to Term Limits and membership rotations based on the amended Section 12.109 of the Broward County Administrative Code. The Term Limits procedures are as follows:

The Council members shall each serve a three (3) year term, subject to the provisions of Section 1-233, Broward County Code. Council members shall not serve more than three (3) consecutive three-year terms.

- 1) Following any three (3) consecutive terms, a member is ineligible to serve for one (1) year, after which that individual may be reappointed to the Council by the County Commission.
- 2) The MCDC will recommend prospective members six months prior to the end of each three-year term to the Council.
- 3) The Council will recommend prospective members for appointment four months prior to the end of each three-year term to the County Commission.
- 4) Each term for existing Council members, as defined by the newly established term limits, will commence on January 1, 2024, and conclude on December 31, 2026.
- 5) For members appointed after January 2024, their term will begin in the month they are officially appointed by the Board of County Commissioners

SECTION 8: Attendance.

Attendance of Council meetings shall be in accordance with the Broward County Code of Ordinances section 1-233. The Council may recommend reappointing members who were removed pursuant to the Broward County Code of Ordinances section 1-233. The committee attendance policy mirrors the Council attendance policy. The Chair of the Council shall, at their discretion, determine whether the member's absence meets any of the criteria for an excused absence as set forth in Broward County Code of Ordinance section 1-233. Excused absences for COUNCIL-related business means business outside the regular time and place of COUNCIL business. Failure to adhere to attendance requirements shall be grounds for removal from the Council or committees.

SECTION 9: Designation of Alternates.

There shall be a minimum of at least three persons living with HIV who reflect the demographics of the epidemic in the County who shall serve as Alternates, appointed, and approved by the Broward County Board of County Commissioners.

- a) An Alternate may only serve as a voting member of the Council when a member with HIV is unable to serve due to HIV-related illness. In such case, the Chair shall appoint an alternate who, to the greatest extent possible, matches the gender, race, and ethnic background of the individual with HIV that is absent. Thereafter, alternates, as directed by the Chair, shall alternate their substitution for PWH members unable to serve due to HIV-related illness.
- b) Alternates may be appointed by the chair as voting members only after Quorum has been established. Alternates may be removed from their seats as described in Section 11 below.

SECTION 10: Membership on Standing Committees.

Council members and Alternates shall join at least one standing committee. Failure to participate on a standing committee within thirty (30) days of appointment shall be grounds for removal from the Council.

SECTION 11: Maximum Standing Committees Council Members May Join.

To be effective (and to avoid burnout), Council members should generally not serve on more than two standing committees. Limiting service to one or two standing committees can allow Council members to focus on an area and develop expertise that can further the work of the Council. Ad-Hoc committees are excluded from this count, as they are temporary and dissolve once their specific tasks are completed.

SECTION 12: Meeting Ground Rules.

All persons in attendance at a meeting of the Council and Committees shall comply with the meeting ground rules adopted by the Council.

SECTION 13: Removal of Members and Alternates, Seat Changes, Outreach/Training, Provider Representatives

- A. Removal of Council members and alternates shall be in accordance with the Broward County Code of Ordinances section 1-233:
 1. Board meetings on a quarterly or less frequent basis: Members will be removed after two (2) consecutive unexcused absences or missing two (2) properly noticed meetings in one (1) calendar year.
 2. Board meetings more frequently than quarterly: Members will be removed after three (3) consecutive unexcused absences or missing four (4) properly noticed meetings in one (1) calendar year. If the committee has a joint meeting, the same attendance policy applies.
- B. Procedure for removal. If a member or alternate fails to comply with Paragraphs

Bor C, or for reasons documented in Paragraph D, the Council shall recommend to the Broward County Board of County Commissioners the removal of that Member or Alternate. A removal recommendation requires a majority vote by Council members present at a meeting where Staff has provided written notice to the member or alternate in question, indicating that the item will appear on the agenda. Unaffiliated members and alternates may also be automatically removed for reasons outlined in Paragraph E.

C. Recommendation for Removal by Council.

- a) The Council shall recommend that a member or alternate be removed from service on the Council for refusing to cooperate in a conflict-of-interest review, or when it is determined that the member or alternate knowingly acted intended to influence the conduct of the Council in a manner as defined in ARTICLE IV, SECTION 2 of these By-laws.
- b) The Council shall recommend that a member or alternate be removed from the Council for, but not limited to, failure to comply with County regulations or the Council's Local Procedures Manual, failure to comply with meeting ground rules, or failure to maintain committee membership.

D. Recommendation for Removal by Individual Council Members. A Council Member, Council Chair, or Committee Chair may recommend removal for cause of a member or alternate by forwarding to the Membership Committee said recommendation, documenting the reasons for requesting removal. The Membership Committee will review the evidence and make recommendations to the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee will review the recommendation and forward the recommendation to the Council. The final decision to remove a member or alternate must be ratified by the Council. Once ratified, the Council will forward all recommendations for removal to the Board of County Commissioners.

E. Automatic Removal. A member or alternate shall be automatically removed from the Council for failure to comply with attendance policies as outlined in ARTICLE IV, SECTION 8 of these By-laws. A member or alternate shall be automatically removed from the Council in accordance with the Broward County Administrative Code Section 12.108c.

F. Affiliated and Unaffiliated Status. Members changing from affiliated status to unaffiliated status can be appointed by majority vote from one seat to the other without resigning from the Council. An official letter stating that the Council has voted to appoint a member in the new position with an updated application must be secured and submitted to the Intergovernmental Affairs/Board Section of the Broward County Board of Commission within ten (10) business days.

G. Seat Change. MCDC and the Council shall be notified of changes to

representation involving members of the Council holding a mandated seat due to their employment. Such changes shall be informational and immediately forwarded to the Broward County Board of County Commissioners.

- H. Member participation in outreach and training activities. Members are expected to participate in a minimum of two (2) Council outreach and training activities per calendar year.
- I. Number of providers on the HIVPC General Body. There shall be a maximum of three members from the same provider agency.

ARTICLE V: Officers

SECTION 1: The officers of the Council shall be members of the Council and shall be a Chair and a Vice Chair.

SECTION 2: ELECTIONS

- A. Election of Officers shall utilize a majority vote double election system (primary election and a secondary run-off election). Officers shall be elected by the majority vote of those members or alternates serving as members of the Council present and voting at the meeting during which the election is held.
- B. Regular Biannual Elections. Regular biannual elections will take place every two years. The ad-Hoc Nominating Committee shall present a slate of candidates for consideration as described in the ad-Hoc Nominating procedure. The Officers shall take office on March 1 or at the first Council meeting of the calendar year. All Officers shall serve a two-year term and shall remain in office until a successor is selected. No officers shall serve more than two consecutive terms in one office.
- C. Special Elections. Special Elections will take place as needed. In the event of resignation or other reasons for vacating the Chair or Vice Chair positions, a special election will be held following the procedures outlined in the Nominating Procedure (Article VIII, Section 3, Part A). Until the election is held, the Council will adhere to the line of succession outlined in Article VI, Section 8. Individuals elected by virtue of special election will not be considered to have served a full term, and this service will not impact the individual's ability to run for two additional terms.

SECTION 3: The Duties of the Officers are those which usually apply to such officers and in addition thereto, such other duties as may be designated from time to time by the Council.

SECTION 4: The Official Liaison. The Chair of the Council will serve as the official liaison of the Council with the Broward County Board of County Commissioners and its

designated administrative entity. No other Member of the Council or its committees may speak for the Council.

SECTION 5: Council Officers. Except for the Executive Committee, the current Council officers may not serve as Chair or Vice Chair of any Council committee while holding office.

SECTION 6: Acting Committee Chair. Upon proper notice to the committee, the Council Chair or Vice Chair may sit as acting chair of the committee when the Committee Chair or Vice Chair is unable to attend a properly scheduled meeting of the committee. In the event the Council Chair or Council Vice Chair is serving as acting committee chairs, they count towards quorum and have a vote. If the Council Chair or Vice-Chair attends as a guest for a committee meeting, the Chair or Vice-Chair can count toward quorum if needed. If the Council Chair or Vice Chair are unable to attend the meeting, the immediate former Council Chair or Vice-Chair may serve as acting committee chairs. In such cases, the immediate former Council Chair or Vice-Chair counts toward quorum and may have a vote.

ARTICLE VI: Meetings

SECTION 1: Meeting Protocol

- A. The Council shall meet at least nine (9) times per fiscal year (March 1 – February 29).
- B. Special meetings may be called by the Chair or upon petition of one-third of the membership of the Council.
- C. Written notice shall be given at least one week prior to each meeting.
- D. All HIV Council meetings are open to the public.
- E. Attendance at mandatory Training Activities is also part of Council attendance requirements.

SECTION 2: Quorum

- A. Fifty percent (50%) of the members plus one shall constitute a quorum for the HIV Council, and all standing and ad-Hoc Committees, but with no less than three (3) members voting.
- B. A quorum will be established by Members physically present and Members attending by telephone or video.
- C. A quorum should be established within fifteen minutes of the meeting time.
- D. A majority of Members present and voting at any meeting at which a quorum is present shall be sufficient to act on behalf of the Council.

- E. The number of Members needed to determine quorum shall be the total number of Members of the Council, not including the Member representing the Broward County Board of County Commissioners.
- F. If quorum is not established within fifteen minutes of the meeting time, the meeting may be transitioned to a workshop. Members will be allowed to discuss the items on the agenda, but they are not permitted to vote on those items.

SECTION 3: Voting Privileges

- A. Only duly appointed Members of the Council and/or committee (or the appointed Alternate in their absence) may vote, and each Member (or Alternate) shall have one vote.
- B. Voting privileges are non-transferable. In the event of a tie vote, there shall be a roll call vote and the Chair shall vote last.

SECTION 4: Public Notice of Council Meetings

- A. Public notice of Council meetings shall be given in accordance with Florida Statutes and Broward County Ordinances.
- B. Meetings shall be open to the public.
- C. Records and data shall be made available to the public under the applicable laws.
- D. Minutes of each meeting of the Council or Committee shall be kept.
- E. The accuracy of all minutes shall be certified by the Chair of the Council and/or committees.

SECTION 5: COUNCIL AGENDAS

- A. The Executive Committee shall meet five (5) working days before the regularly scheduled full Council meeting. The Executive Committee (or in the absence of Executive Meeting action), the Council's Designated Staff Member shall prepare an agenda for full Council meetings based upon the following:
 - 1) Each committee chair, the Recipient, or the Council Support Staff will inform the Executive Committee (or Council Designated Staff Member) of committee recommendations and other actions to be presented for the full Council's approval.
 - 2) Motions passed by Committees may be sponsored by the Chair of the Committee on behalf of the Committee and annotated on the Council Agenda as sponsored by the Committee.
 - 3) Individual Members of the Council may request action items be placed on the agenda by providing them in writing to the Council Designated Staff Member before the Executive Committee meeting.
 - 4) Members of the public who wish to bring matters before the full Council for

consideration must obtain sponsorship of the item by a Member of the Council.

- 5) Requesters of Council actions must provide appropriate backup documentation to explain the requested action.
- 6) The Executive Committee may refer proposed actions to the appropriate committee to examine and make a recommendation before presenting the matter to the full Council for action.
- 7) Proposed motions requiring the full Council's vote shall be listed on the agenda and sent to members 48 hours before the full Council meeting.
- 8) At the Executive Committee's discretion, backup documentation will be labeled and distributed on the Council's agenda.
- 9) At the discretion of the Council Chair, action items requested at the Council meeting, not on the published agenda, may be added to the agenda's old/new business portion of the agenda, deferred until the next Council meeting, or referred to the appropriate committee.

B. The Council agenda shall include: A Call to Order, Welcome, and Self-introductions (includes an explanation of Ground Rules, Sunshine Law, and HIV self-disclosure), Moment of Silence, Excused Absences, and Appointment of Alternates, Adoption of Agenda, Approval of Minutes, Consent Items, (no discussion required), Discussion Items (discussion required), Committee Reports, Recipient and Other Reports (including, but not limited to Part A, Par B, Part C, Part D, Part F, HOPWA, Prevention), Old/New Business, Public Comment, Announcements, Next Meeting Date, Agenda Items for the Next Meeting, Adjournment. The Executive Committee may order agenda items to administer the Council's business efficiently and effectively.

C. The Executive Committee (or Council Chair in the absence of the Executive Committee) will determine the order of discussion action items on the agenda.

SECTION 6: TIME LIMITS

The Executive Committee will establish time limits for each agenda item for each meeting. The Chair may use discretion to impose time limits on each speaker, to be consistently applied. Upon expiration of the time for discussion of a particular action item, the Chair shall close the debate and call for a vote. A person who has spoken once on a pending matter may not speak again on that matter until all others requesting the floor have been recognized.

SECTION 7: LINE OF SUCCESSION

In the event, that the Chair and the Vice Chair do not attend the Council Meeting and neither the Chair

nor the Vice Chair has notified the Council that they are not attending the Council Meeting, the immediate past chair, if present and a member of the Council, shall chair the meeting.

- A. In the absence of the immediate past chair the Council meeting may be chaired by Committee Chairs, in the following order:
 - 1. Immediate past Vice Chair
 - 2. Chair of Priority Setting and Resource Allocation
 - 3. Chair of Membership/Council Development
 - 4. Chair of Community Empowerment
 - 5. Chair of Quality Management
 - 6. Chair of System of Care

- B. In the event of a vacancy of the Council Chair or Vice Chair position, the duties of the Chair or Vice Chair will be assumed by the immediate past chair. If the immediate past chair is no longer a member of the Council, duties will be assumed in the following order:
 - 1. A past Council Chair or Vice Chair
 - 2. Chair of Community Empowerment
 - 3. Chair of Priority Setting and Resource Allocation
 - 4. Chair of Quality Management
 - 5. Chair of System of Care
 - 6. Chair of Membership/Council Development

Pursuant to the revised paragraph C, the order of assumption of duties is prescribed for the following reason: a third party oversees the special election process, during which the current Chair or Vice Chair may participate. Duties will be assumed upon the Chair or Vice Chair vacancy until the vacancy is filled by a special election as outlined in Article V, Section 2C.

ARTICLE VII: Conflict of Interest

SECTION 1: Compliance with Legal and Ethical Standards

All members and alternates of the Council and its committees shall comply with the Florida Statutes, Broward County Ordinances, and the Broward County Administrative Code, as amended, regarding conflicts of interest for public officials and the Government in the Sunshine Law. Copies of these governing documents will be provided to all Council members and alternates. Each member is required to:

- A. Submit a conflict of interest form at the beginning of each fiscal year
- B. Declare any conflicts of interest at every Council and Priority Setting & Resource Allocation (PSRA) Committee meeting

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SECTION 2: Executive Committee Authority

The Executive Committee is empowered to establish Council policies, review concerns, and make recommendations to the full Council regarding conflict-of-interest matters.

SECTION 3: Disclosure of Conflicts

All Council members and alternates are required to disclose any conflicts of interest. They are also encouraged to request a review of potential conflicts for themselves or for other members or alternates.

SECTION 4: Documentation and Review Process

All conflict-of-interest concerns must be documented in the Council's meeting minutes and referred to the Executive Committee for evaluation. Based on the Committee's recommendations, the full Council will take appropriate action in accordance with established policies.

SECTION 5: Participation During Review

During the review of a conflict of interest, the members or alternates involved may participate in discussions related to the issue but must abstain from voting on the matter.

SECTION 6: Non-Compliance and Termination

A member or alternate may be recommended for termination from the Council and its committees if they refuse to cooperate with a conflict-of-interest review or are found to have knowingly acted to improperly influence Council decisions, in violation of the By-Laws or applicable laws.

ARTICLE VIII: Committees

SECTION 1: Establishment of Committees

- A. The Council shall establish standing and Ad-Hoc committees necessary to fulfill the requirements of the Ryan White Act.
- B. Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs.
 - 1. All Council committees shall be chaired by a Part A member of the Council.
 - 2. The Council Chair shall appoint the Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs of each Committee beginning with the date of the Council Chair's term of office.
 - 3. The current Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs shall continue to serve until the new Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs are appointed; the Council Chair may ask current Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs to remain in their positions.

4. Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs may be appointed, removed, or replaced at the sole discretion of the Council Chair.

C. Appointment of Committee members.

1. Committee Chairs shall appoint, with the approval of the Council, the members of each committee.
2. Except as otherwise provided by the By-Laws, a standing or ad-Hoc Committee may include members of the Council and community stakeholders.
3. Committee membership should all be based on the demographics of the epidemic and consideration shall be given to race, ethnicity, self-acknowledged HIV positivity, and gender.

D. Removal of Committee membership. The removal of Committee members shall be that of Council members as provided for in Article 4, Section 12, where applicable.

E. Committee Policies and Procedures.

1. The Council will approve written policies and procedures for all Committees which will be published in the “Local Procedures Manual.”
2. The policies and procedures of each committee must be periodically reviewed by that committee and subsequently approved by the council.

SECTION 2: Standing Committees

A standing committee of the Council is a committee which has a purpose that requires a standing membership and a regular meetings schedule. The standing committees of the Council are:

- A. Executive
- B. Community Empowerment
- C. Membership/Council Development
- D. Priority Setting and Resource Allocation
- E. Quality Management
- F. System of Care
- G. Local Pharmacy Advisory

SECTION 3: There shall be an Executive Committee.

- A. Membership. The Executive Committee shall consist of the Council Chair, the Council Vice Chair, and the Chair or Vice-Chair of each of the standing committees. The immediate past Council Chair or Vice Chair (if the past Chair or

- Vice Chair is currently a member of the Council) will serve as an ex officio member of the Committee. In the absence of the Standing Committee Chair, the Standing Committee Vice Chair may serve and count towards quorum.
- B. A Vice Chair of a committee does not need to be a member of the Council.
 - C. The Executive Committee meets to conduct the business of the Council (excluding priority setting and allocation decisions). The Executive Committee shall:
 1. Set the agenda for Council meetings.
 2. Address Conflict of Interest issues.
 3. Review Membership/Council Development Committee Attendance report to identify Council members, not in compliance with attendance requirements.
 4. Oversee the planning activities established in the integrated HIV prevention and care plan.
 5. Develop and oversee committee work plans that address comprehensive planning goals and objectives.
 6. Ratify recommendations for removal for cause from the Membership/Council Development Committee.
 - D. The Committee shall have responsibility for oversight of the planning activities established in the integrated HIV prevention and care plan and development and oversight of committee work plans to address integrated planning goals and objectives.

SECTION 4: There shall be a Community Empowerment Committee.

- A. Membership. The members of the committee shall include but are not limited to representatives of the Council and community stakeholders. No less than 51% of the Council committee members shall be unaffiliated individuals living with HIV.
- B. Chair. The Committee Chair or Vice Chair shall be an unaffiliated individual with HIV.
- C. Purpose. The Committee shall inform and solicit the participation of individuals living with and affected by HIV/AIDS in the planning, priority setting, and resource allocation processes. This Committee serves as a bridge between the Council and people with HIV in Broward. It encourages the involvement of individuals living with and affected by HIV/AIDS in the Council process.

SECTION 5: There shall be a Priority Setting and Resource Allocation Committee.

- A. Membership. The Members of the Committee shall include but are not limited to representatives of the Council and community stakeholders.
- B. Purpose.
 - 1. The Committee shall recommend to the Council priorities and allocation of Ryan White Part A funds.
 - 2. The Committee shall review, at least quarterly, any deviations in planned expenditure exceeding 10% in any given funding category for reallocation and/or possible reprioritization.
 - 3. The Committee will facilitate the Priority Setting and Resource Allocation Process to include the review of appropriate data (service utilization, epidemiological data).
 - 4. The Committee shall develop, review, and monitor eligibility, and service definitions, including improving quality, cost-effectiveness, and allocation of resources to pharmacy services.
 - 5. When recommended, the Committee shall develop and implement a standardized mechanism for pharmacy services (i.e., drug access, formulary changes, and cost/impact analysis) and coordinate pharmacy services in collaboration with other funding streams (i.e., ADAP, Part B, Medicaid, private payers, including private insurance providers).
 - 6. The Committee shall determine eligibility for Part A services and the Federal Poverty Level.

SECTION 6: There shall be a Membership/Council Development Committee.

- A. Membership.
 - 1. The Members of the Committee shall include but are not limited to, representatives of the Council and community stakeholders.
 - 2. At least two-thirds of the committee members must be Council members.
- B. Purpose.
 - 1. The Committee shall solicit and screen applications based on objective criteria for appointment to the Council to ensure that the demographic requirements of the Council are maintained according to the Ryan White Treatment and Modernization Act and present its recommendations to the

- full Council.
- 2. The Committee shall institute orientation and training programs for new and incumbent members.
- 3. The Committee shall continue to educate the Council and committee members about their respective duties, and the Council's functions and roles in the organization and delivery of HIV/AIDS health and support services.

SECTION 7: There shall be a Quality Management Committee.

- A. Membership. The members of the Committee shall include but are not limited to representatives of the Council and community stakeholders.
- B. Purpose. The purpose of the Quality Management Program for Ryan White Part A in the Broward County EMA is to systematically monitor, evaluate, and continuously improve the quality and appropriateness of HIV care and services provided to all clients receiving Ryan White Part A and Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI) funded services in Broward County.

SECTION 8: There shall be a System of Care Committee

- A. Membership. The members of the Committee shall include representatives of Part A, consumers, community stakeholders, and health policy or healthcare system experts.
- B. Purpose. The System of Care Committee aims to evaluate the system of care in Broward County and analyze the impact of local, state, and federal policy and legislative issues impacting people living with HIV in Broward County EMA. The Committee will be responsible for advising the Council on how these issues may impact the Broward County EMA and may recommend response strategies.

SECTION 9: Ad-Hoc Committees

An Ad-Hoc committee of the Council does not require standing membership and may meet on a periodic but not regular schedule. The continuing ad-Hoc committees are the ad-Hoc Nominating Committee and the ad-Hoc By-Laws / Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Committee. The Council may establish other ad-Hoc committees as necessary.

- A. Ad-Hoc Nominating Committee.
 - 1. Membership. The Nominating Committee shall be composed of not less than five (5) Council members who shall be appointed by the Chair. At least one member shall be a person living with HIV/AIDS.

2. Purpose. The Nominating Committee shall provide a slate of nominations for Members for Chair and Vice Chair of the Council from among current Council Members. The process utilized by the Nominating Committee to prepare and present the slate of officers for consideration for office is identified in that committee's written policies and procedures.

B. Ad-Hoc By-Laws/ MOU Committee.

1. Membership. The members of the committee shall only include Council members and alternates.
2. Purpose. The ad-Hoc By-Laws/MOU Committee shall have the responsibility of periodically reviewing, updating, and maintaining the Council's By-Laws.

SECTION 10: There shall be an Integrated Work Group

A. Membership. The workgroup will be composed of the Ryan White Part A HIV Health Services Planning Council, South Florida AIDS Network (SFAN), the Broward County HIV Prevention Planning Council (BCHPPC), and the Ending the HIV Epidemic Advisory Group, with three members and one alternate representing their respective planning or advisory body, as applicable.

1. Members from the Part A program may include Council members, committee members, or other appropriate community stakeholders, such as Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA) /housing; Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC)/Hospital districts; Broward County Public Schools; Funded community-based service providers; Behavioral health provider; Client engagement systems, including linkage and re-linkage to care and retention in care; Community leaders.
2. Part A members will be selected for recommendation by the Executive Committee but must be approved by the Council.
3. The desired membership of the workgroup should be reflective of the demographics of the epidemic in Broward County, and consideration shall be given to race, ethnicity, self-acknowledged HIV- positivity, and gender.

B. Purpose.

1. The workgroup will be responsible for monitoring and providing recommendations for the completion of the activities outlined in the Broward County Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan.
2. The workgroup will conduct a comprehensive analysis and review of data from community stakeholders to provide robust recommendations to the Prevention and Care planning bodies and to the Recipients.
3. The workgroup will serve as the feedback loop for the collaborative

implementation of the Plan and make appropriate recommendations to the respective planning bodies and HIV funders.

C. Flow of Information.

1. The work group is expected to interact with numerous Prevention, Part A, and Part B teams, work groups, and committees.
2. The workgroup's main points of contact and coordination will be the designated Integrated Planning consultant, Executive Committees of the Council, BCHPPC, SFAN, and EHE Advisory Board.

D. Ratification. The work of the workgroup is provided to the Council, the BCHPPC, SFAN, and the EHE Advisory Body in the form of recommendations and is subject to the approval of the respective planning body.

SECTION 11: Joint Planning Body Meeting.

A joint planning body meeting does not require a standing membership and may meet on a periodic but not regular schedule. The joint planning bodies are the Ryan White Part A HIV Health Services Planning Council, the South Florida AIDS Network, the Broward County HIV Prevention Planning Council, and the EHE Advisory Board.

SECTION 12: There shall be a Local Pharmacy Advisory Committee (LPAC)

- A. Membership. The members of the committee shall include, but are not limited to, members with pharmacological and medical expertise as well as consumer members.
- B. Mission: To improve the quality, effectiveness, and coordination of pharmacy services within the Part A system by providing strategic recommendations, standardizing policies and processes, analyzing utilization data, and ensuring alignment across funding sources to optimize access and resource allocation.
- C. Purpose: The LPAC provides recommendations to enhance the quality, coordination, and resource allocation of pharmacy services within the Part A system of care by:
1. Developing and standardizing pharmacy processes, including policies, procedures, drug access, formulary management, and impact analysis;
 2. Evaluating pharmacy utilization and related data; and
 3. Reviewing pharmacy services across funded entities (e.g., ADAP, Part A, Part B, Medicaid, and private insurance), as well as current pharmacologic treatment regimens and federal guidelines.

ARTICLE IX: General Provisions

Section 1: Fiscal Year

The fiscal year for the Planning Council shall begin on March 1st and end on the last day of February.

Section 2: Procedures and Governance

When procedures are not addressed by Broward County Ordinance or these By-Laws, the most recent version of the Council's Policies and Procedures shall apply. The Chair of the Council and its committees shall conduct meetings in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.

Section 3: Relationship with the Recipient

Unless otherwise specified in the Ryan White Act or other applicable laws or regulations, the relationship between the Planning Council and the Recipient is outlined in the Ryan White Part A Manual and the Ryan White Part A Planning Council Primer. The Recipient is responsible for managing relationships between subrecipients/providers and clients.

Section 4: Member Reimbursement

Planning Council Support (PCS) funds may be used to reimburse Council and committee members who are consumers of Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part A services for reasonable and allowable expenses incurred while performing their duties. Reimbursements are subject to approved Council policies, applicable laws, and available PCS budget. Eligible expenses include:

- Local travel and transportation (coordinated by PCS staff)
- Parking and mileage
- Childcare costs (babysitter or childcare center) at a reasonable and customary rate
- Meeting refreshments

To receive reimbursement, members or alternates must complete the required forms.

Section 5: Review of By-Laws

The Executive Committee shall ensure that the Council's By-Laws are reviewed every two years, or as needed, in response to changes in County ordinances, HRSA policies, or federal legislation.

Section 6: Virtual Meetings

The Council shall conduct virtual meetings in accordance with applicable County Ordinances or Executive Orders.

ARTICLE X: Adoption and Amendments of By-Laws

Section 1: Authority to Adopt or Amend

These By-Laws may be adopted, amended, or repealed by a majority vote of the Planning Council.

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Section 2: Notice of Proposed Amendments

All proposed amendments, along with the full text of the changes, shall be sent to each Council member and alternate—either by mail or electronically—at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting where the amendments will be considered for adoption.

Section 3: Effective Date

Unless otherwise specified, these By-Laws and any approved amendments shall take effect immediately upon approval by the Council.

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HIV HEALTH SERVICES PLANNING COUNCIL MEETING GROUND RULES

1. The Council, its members, and the public recognize and respect the committee process adopted by this Council. The Council, its members, and the public recognize that full discussion and analysis of issues occurs at the committee level rather than at Council meetings.
2. Before a member can make a motion or speak in debate, the member must be recognized by the Chair as having the exclusive right to be heard at that time.
3. All speakers are expected to address the Council in a respectful manner to respect time limits, to speak briefly and to the point, and to stay on agenda. All other persons in attendance should not interrupt the speaker who is recognized by the Chair as having the floor.
4. If the member who made the motion claims the floor and has not already spoken on the question, that member is entitled to be recognized in preference to other members.
5. No person is entitled to the floor a second time in debate on the same item as long as any other person who desires the floor has not spoken on the item.
6. Speakers should restrict comments and debate to the pending question or motion. Speakers must address their remarks to the Chair and maintain a courteous tone. The Chair may impose time limits on debate or discussion to ensure efficient conduct of Council business.
7. Members should not name service providers and/or persons during any discussion unless the service provider or person is identified in the subject of the motion or agenda item. Specific concerns regarding service providers should be directed towards the Grantee, outside of the meeting.
8. Members of the public may only address the Council upon recognition by the Chair. They are subject to the same rules of conduct expected of Council members.
9. No alcohol or drug use (unless prescribed by a licensed physician), is permitted at Council meetings, grantee or support staff offices.
10. No abusive language, threats of violence, or possession of weapons are permitted in Council meetings, grantee or staff offices.
11. Repeated violation of these meeting rules may result in no further recognition of the offending member or attendee by the Chair at that meeting. Any serious breach of conduct which disrupts the Council's meeting may subject the offender to removal from the meeting, administrative or legal process.



CONSEJO DE PLANEACIÓN DE SERVICIOS DE SALUD VIH

REGLAS BÁSICAS DE LA REUNIÓN

1. Los miembros deberán aceptar y respetar el proceso de comité adoptado por este Consejo. Las discusiones y el análisis en pleno de los temas tendrán lugar a nivel de comité y no en las reuniones plenarias del Consejo.
2. Antes de que un miembro pueda iniciar una moción o de que una persona pueda hablar en un debate, el Presidente de la reunión deberá reconocer que él o ella tienen el derecho exclusivo de hablar en ese momento dado.
3. Se espera que todos los ponentes se dirijan al Consejo de una manera respetuosa, que no se interrumpa al ponente con derecho al habla en el momento, que cuando se hable se haga de forma clara y concisa, y que se mantenga la agenda.
4. Si el miembro que inicia una moción no ha hablado todavía y reclama su derecho a hablar sobre un asunto, él/ella tendrán el derecho a que con preferencia se les reconozca.
5. Nadie tendrá derecho a reclamar el habla por una segunda vez, en un debate sobre el mismo tema, cuando otra persona que no ha hablado todavía, desea hacerlo.
6. Los debates deben ceñirse a los asuntos o mociones que estén pendientes. Al hablar, los ponentes deben referirse al Presidente, y mantener un tono cortés.
7. Los miembros del público solo podrán dirigirse al Consejo cuando hayan sido reconocidos por el Presidente de la reunión. Estarán sujetos a las mismas reglas de conducta que se esperan de los miembros del Consejo. Se establecerán límites de tiempo según sea necesario para garantizar que los asuntos del Consejo cursen de manera eficiente.
8. Miembros del público sólo podrán dirigir el Consejo a partir del reconocimiento por el Presidente. Están sujetos a las mismas reglas de conducta que se espera de los miembros del Consejo.
9. No estará permitido el uso de bebidas alcohólicas o de drogas en las reuniones del Consejo y tampoco en las oficinas del personal de soporte y donatarios.
10. No está permitido el uso de lenguaje abusivo, amenazas de violencia y posesión de armas en las reuniones del Consejo ni en las oficinas del personal de soporte y donatarios.
11. La repetida violación de estas reglas básicas dará como resultado que el Presidente de la reunión deje de reconocer al derecho a participación del ofensor o miembro de la audiencia. Cualquier violación de conducta grave, que perturbe la reunión de Consejo, terminará en la remoción del ofensor, de la reunión.



KONSÈY PLANIFIKASYON SÈVIS SANTE POU HIV RÈGLEMAN RANKONT-YO

1. Manm-yo dwe rekonèt epi respekte pwosesis komite-a ke Konsèy-la adopte. Diskisyon ak analiz total pwoblèm-yo fèt nan nivo komite-a; li pa fèt pandan rankont tout Konsèy-la.
2. Anvan yon manm ka fè yon pwopozisyon oswa nenpòt ki moun gen dwa pale pandan yon deba, fòk Prezidan Komite-a bali dwa eskizif pou fè moun tandè-li nan moman sa-a.
3. Yo atann-yo aske tout moun k'ap pale ak Konsèy-la fè-li avèk respè, pou pèsonn pa koupe moun ke Konsèy-la bay dwa pale lapawòl, pou moun k'ap pale-a respekte kantite tan yo ba-li pou pale-a, pou li di sa l'ap di-a rapidman epi avèk presizyon, epi pou li respekte ajanda-a.
4. Si manm ki fè pwopozisyon-an mande pou li pale epi si li poko pale sou keksyon-an deja, li gen priyorite sou lòt manm-yo.
5. Pèsonn moun pa gen dwa pran lapawòl de fwa sou yon menm sijè si gen lòt moun ki poko pale epi ki vle esprime tèt-yo.
6. Deba-a dwe rete sou keksyon oswa pwopozisyon k'ap fèt-la. Moun k'ap pale-a dwe adrese sa l'ap di-a bay Prezidan Komite-a epi pale sou yon ton ki make ak respè.
7. Manm piblik-la dwe pale ak Konsèy-la sèlman si Prezidan Konsèy-la bay-yo lapawòl. Yo dwe respekte menm règleman kondwit avèk manm Konsèy-yo. Lè sa nesesè pou zafè Konsèy-la byen mache, yo gen dwa bay-yo yon limit tan pou yo pale.
8. Manm nan piblik la sèlman pou adrese a konsèy sou rekonèsans sou chèz la. Yo ka tonbe anba menm lòd de kondwit ki te espere nan manm konsèy yo.
9. Itilizasyon alkòl ak dwòg (sòf si se yon doktè lisansye ki preskri-li), entèdi nan rankont Konsèy-la oswa nan biwo estaf sipò-a oswa Resevè-a.
10. Vye langaj, menas vyolans, oswa posèsyon zam entèdi nan rankont Konsèy-la oswa nan biwo estaf-la oswa Resevè-a.
11. Vyolasyon repete règleman rankont-yo ap lakòz yon manm oswa lòt moun k'ap asiste rankont-lan pa kapab patisipe ankò. Nenpòt ki move kondwit serye ki twouble rankont-la ap lakòz yo mete moun-nan deyò.



Acronym List

ACA: The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act

ADAP: AIDS Drugs Assistance Program

Administration HUD: U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development

IW: Integrated Workgroup

AETC: AIDS Education and Training Center

AHF: AIDS Health Care Foundation

AIDS: Acquired Immuno-Deficiency Syndrome

ART: Antiretroviral Therapy

ARV: Antiretrovirals

BARC: Broward Addiction Recovery Center

BCFHC: Broward Community and Family Health Centers

BH: Behavioral Health

BRHPC: Broward Regional Health Planning Council, Inc.

CBO: Community-Based Organization

CDC: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

CDTC: Children's Diagnostic and Treatment Center

CEC: Community Empowerment Committee

CIED: Client Intake and Eligibility Determination

CLD: Client Level Data

CQI: Continuous Quality Improvement

CQM: Clinical Quality Management

CTS: Counseling and Testing Site

eHARS: Electronic HIV/AIDS Reporting System

EIHA: Early Intervention of Individuals Living with HIV/AIDS

EFA: Emergency Financial Assistance

EMA: Eligible Metropolitan Area

FDOH: Florida Department of Health

FPL: Federal Poverty Level

FQHC: Federally Qualified Health Center

HAB: HIV/AIDS Bureau

HHS: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

HICP: Health Insurance Continuation Program

HIV: Human Immunodeficiency Virus

HIV HSSS: HIV Human Services Software System

HIVPC: Broward County HIV Health Services Planning Council

HOPWA: Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS

HRSA: Health Resources Services Administration

IDU: Intravenous Drug User

JLP: Jail Linkage Program

LPAP: Local AIDS Pharmaceutical Assistance Program

MAI: Minority AIDS Initiative

MCDC: Membership/Council Development Committee

MCM: Medical Case Management

MH: Mental Health

MNT: Medical Nutrition Therapy



MOU: Memorandum of Understanding

NBHD: North Broward Hospital District (Broward Health)

NGA: Notice of Grant Award

NHAS: National HIV/AIDS Strategy

NMCM: Non-Medical Case Management

NOFO: Notice of Funding Opportunity

nPEP: Non-Occupational Post Exposure Prophylaxis

NSU: Nova Southeastern University

nPEP: Non-occupational Post-Exposure Prophylaxis

OAHS: Outpatient Ambulatory Health Services

OHC: Oral Health Care

PCN: Policy Clarification Notice

PE: Provide Enterprise

PLWH: People Living with HIV

PLWHA: People Living with HIV/AIDS

PrEP: Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis

PRISM: Patient Reporting Investigating Surveillance System

PROACT: Participate, Retain, Observe, Adhere, Communicate and Teamwork is DOH- Broward's treatment adherence program.

PSRA: Priority Setting & Resource Allocations

QI: Quality Improvement

QIP: Quality Improvement Project

QM: Quality Management

QMC: Quality Management Committee

RSR: Ryan White Services Report

RWHAP: Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program

RWPA: Ryan White Part A

SBHD: South Broward Hospital District (Memorial Healthcare System)

SCHIP: State Children's Health Insurance Program

SDM: Service Delivery Model

SOC: System of Care

SPNS: Special Projects of National Significance

STD/STI: Sexually Transmitted Diseases or Infection

TA: Technical Assistance

TB: Tuberculosis

TGA: Transitional Grant Area

VA: United States Department of Veteran Affairs

VL: Viral Load

VLS: Viral Load Suppression

WICY: Women, Infants, Children, and Youth



Frequently Used Terms

Recipient: Government department designated to administer Ryan White Part A funds and monitor contracts.

Planning Council Support (PCS) Staff/‘Staff’: Provides professional staff support, meeting coordination, and information to the HIVPC, its standing and ad-Hoc Committees, Chair, and Recipient.

Clinical Quality Management (CQM) Support Staff: Provides professional support, meeting coordination, and technical assistance to assist the Recipient through analysis of performance measures and other data with the implementation of activities designed to improve patient care, health outcomes, and patient satisfaction throughout the system of care.

Provider/Sub-Recipient: Agencies contracted to provide HIV Core and Support services to consumers.

Consumer/Client/Patient: A person who is an eligible recipient of services under the Ryan White Act.