

Virginia Community HIV Planning Group
Call Summary
August 13, 2020

Members Present: Yolanda Alexander, Maria Altonen, Keith Arendall, Sylvester Askins, Robert Cheek, Pierre Diaz, Doug Fogal, Beverly Franklin, Russell Jones, Rodney Lewis, Daniel Lopez, Elaine Martin (VDH Co-Chair), Eric Mayes, Doris Plant-Hill, Bryan Price, Alexandria Robinson, Robert Rodney, Jennifer Shiflett, Thomas Villa, Robyn Wilson

Absent: Gennaro Brooks, Victor Claros, Gia Martinez, Bobby Jones, Darryl Payne, Anthony Seymore, Nechelle Terrell (Community Co-Chair),

Others present: Sadie Adkins, Kristen Donovan, Ashley Yocum, Chelsea Canan, Joseph Lyttle, Kimberly Eley, Maureen Nevins, Rick Felder, Tamara Freeman, Tim Agar

Greetings and Introductions – Elaine Martin

Old and New Business-Elaine Martin

- Thanks and best wishes to members cycling off – Eric Mayes, Robyn Wilson, Pierre Diaz, and Marquis Mapp.
- Discussion of virtual meetings, frequency, and content
- Thoughts on remote regional/TGA/COHAH updates – Email
- Approval of June minutes – Motion was passed to approve June CHPG minutes VIA email.

Prevention and Care Updates

- **Prevention:**
 - Last month VDH expanded eligibility for home test kits.
 - PrEP Program switched protocol. If you cannot make it to a clinic, you can request a home test kit and share you test result to renew your PrEP prescription.
 - Crate Health Clinic decided to end their
 - Alexandria Health Department stopped taking new PrEP patients and stopped rainbow Tuesday.
 - Ryland Roane fellowship-
 - First cohort- finishing up first year and will be joining the central office for the second year
 - Second cohort- currently interviewing
 - Darnell Barrington; the Ryland Roane Fellowship Coordinator has resigned
 - 1509 Grant ends on September 29 and the close out report is due in December
 - We have received our rapid feedback report from CDC. We will send it out the CHPG members and will talk about it at the next meeting.
- **Care:**
 - QMAC is scheduled for August 26, 2020 from 9-12:30 PM. You can register here: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJMrceirpzsrH9d9U_OdCzeesyDL5vfERTCr
 - QM Summit is scheduled for February 17, 2021 (Virtual)
 - CM Summit is scheduled for March 5-6 (Virtual)
 - Rapid Start Update
 - VDH is working with five sites currently

- Mary Washington (NW), Crossover (C), LGBT Life Center (E), Neighborhood Health (N), Community Access Network (SW)
 - Met first time in July and will meet monthly.
 - Given procedures for each clinic to adapt them to how they operate their Rapid Start program
 - Will track and report on a number of data outcomes:
 - Number of individuals started on Rapid ART
 - Baseline VL & CD4
 - Follow up VL & CD4
 - Time elapsed from date of diagnosis to date of ART initiation
 - Time from dx to VLS
 - The 2nd year will include a wider scale up including bring on additional partners for Rapid Start. Provide trainings and mentoring to new sites. Also bringing in additional testing and referral agencies.
 - For more information, please contact either Safere Diawara (Safere.Diawara@vdh.virginia.gov) or Jonathan Albright-Williams (Jonathan.Albright@vdh.virginia.gov) .
- VA MAP Updates
 - **Revision of VA MAP Application**
 - Application undergoing some revisions – final approval in progress
 - Before we start using it, a webinar will be used to review the application in its entirety
 - **SFTP Folders**
 - Sub-recipients need to use their SFTP folders to send documents to VA MAP (new applications, recertification's, supporting documents, etc...).
 - Exchanging Medicaid-eligible client data with subrecipients to identify and assist eligible clients with enrollment into Medicaid. This effort is necessary to ensure the program is meeting the payer of last resort requirement under the RW grant.
 - Use of these folders will also be critical as the 2021 open enrollment season begins for Medicare and ACA. There will be specific instructions shared later this month regarding what documents will be required and how to submit those documents to ensure they are forwarded to the appropriate staff for processing.
 - **Open Enrollment Season**
 - **Medicare Open Enrollment dates: October 15 - December 7**
 - **All existing clients** will need to submit updated information for 2021, regardless of whether they are enrolled in Copay Assistance only or Premium & Copay Assistance.
 - 2021 information must be received by February 1. Ramsell access will be suspended after this date until the 2021 information is received.
 - **Marketplace/ACA open enrollment - November 1 – December 15**
 - As always, we need all clients to go back to the Marketplace to update their application and then choose a plan for 2021

- Open enrollment will definitely look a little different this year due to COVID-19. Lots of virtual enrollment will be occurring. Subrecipients and other enrollment assister sites are crafting their plans for handling open enrollment with their client base.
- Completed enrollment documents must be submitted to VA MAP, preferably through the SFTP folders.
- Benalytics will be assisting with Medicare and ACA enrollment, as they have for the past 2 years. Their toll free number is 855-483-4647.
- Written communications for both enrollment cycles will be sent out over the next 2 ½ months to community partners and clients. I highly encourage all recipients of these communications to read them carefully and comply with the contents to make this enrollment process as smooth as possible.

TGA, EMA and Regional Updates-Regional Reps

- **COHAH- Doug Fogal**
 - Due to the complex nature of PSRA, the benefits that come along with the process being conducted in-person, the shifting needs of our customers, and the influx of additional resources (CARES Act) to respond to COVID-19, the COHAH would not have sufficiently stable information to make an informed calculation of allocations for F&'2021 by September 2020 that would consider a post-COVID or "new normal" service delivery system.
 - Submit modified GY'30/FY'20 PSRA decisions for Part A and MAI to recipient for GY'31/FY'21 Part A application including reprogramming August 27, 2020
 - EMA-wide data presentation September 24, 2020
 - PSRA Overview Presentation for COHAH (Refresher) October 29, 2020
 - CARES Act/COVID-19 impact on Part A Data Presentation November 19, 2020
 - MD, DC, VA PSRA Meeting December 2020-January 2021
 - COHAH Review of PSRA Decisions for Part A and MAI December 2020-January 2021
 - Submit Revised PSRA Decisions (if any) to Recipient for GY'31/FY'21 Awards Preparation January 2021.
- **Eastern TGA- Beverly Franklin**
 - The TGA has been conducting all our meeting VIA zoom for the last few months. We are still conducting business.
 - Our CAC committee have been working on the retreat for consumers, which now will be moved to May of next year. They are trying to work on getting a virtual retreat for this year. They are meeting 08/12/2020 at 6pm to finalize some actions.
 - We are in process in having our PSRA session for the end of this month.
 - We are also looking for members preferably some consumers to join our planning council.
- **VACAC- Sylvester Askins**
 - The next VACAC statewide consumer call will be August 25, 2020, at 2 pm
- **Southwest Region- Bobby Jones**

- **No updates given**
- **Northwest Region-** Darryl Payne
 - **No updates given**
- **Eastern Region-** Gennaro Brooks
 - **No updates given**
- **Northern Region-** Nechelle Terrell
 - NovaSalud still open regular hours giving the VIP services from 9 to 5pm
- **Central-** Rob Rodney
 - **No updates**
- **QMAC Quarterly-** Ashley Yocum

HIV Care Continuum Presentation– Chelsea Cannon

- Presentation available on the Division of Disease Prevention (DDP) website.
<https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/disease-prevention/disease-prevention/hiv-aids-sexually-transmitted-disease-std-hepatitis-reports/>

Membership committee report and vote

- Five members are on the membership committee.
 - Both co-chairs and three additional members
- Reviewed applicants
- Reviewed Risk populations
- Reviewed Membership needs

Membership committee nominations and vote- If you have questions regarding voting please contact Kristen Donovan.

- Nominees-
 - Sylvester Askins
 - Rob Rodney
 - Darryl Payne
 - Beverly Franklin
 - Rodney Lewis
 - Bryan Price

Adjourn – 11:00 am