

¹NoFLAC Priorities and Allocations Committee

October 22, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 AM at the Escambia County Health Department, Pensacola, FL. by Anne Hall and Josh Menge, Co-Chairs. Nineteen Northwest Florida AIDS Consortium members were present (six consumers).

The Needs Assessment completed by Susan Walsh, PhD was reviewed and discussed. The most frequently identified and most important services were Ambulatory Care, Medications, and Case Management and were identified as Met Needs. Gaps in service and Unmet needs identified were Oral Health Care, Health Insurance, Legal Support, Financial Assistance, Food Bank/Vouchers, and Transportation. The Oral Health Care needs were lower this review than previously due to the additional money budgeted in that line the past years.

The “Funds Committed to Date” for the 2014-15 as of September 28, 2015 Ryan White budget were reviewed. Dawn Averill, AHF staff, stated that due to the staff changes they would not need as much support for Ambulatory Care as budgeted last year. Specialty Care budget will need more dollars for follow-up visits to Specialty Care physicians. We recommend that 2016-17 AHF budget be reduced to \$491,034 and \$30,000 for Specialty Care

Health Insurance Premium/Cost share was discussed. The need for this assistance has been reduced. WE recommend reducing the budget to \$12,000.

Medical Nutrition Therapy line had increased budget in September from Thrif-T Drug. Many new patients are coming into the program with wasting. We recommend increasing to \$13,250,

Oral Health Care had additional dollars added in September. The contract with Dr. Woo in Okaloosa Co. has been helpful. The Case Managers communicated concern re the quality of the Affordable Dental dentures which required repair or replacement. In addition, there have been client complaints that the Affordable staff is not treating the clients with respect. These matters are referred to LSF to

investigate. It was suggested that additional dollars be added to the other providers that we need to contract with Dr. Woo and Midtown to do the denture. We recommend increasing budget to \$89,728.

Food Bank in Pensacola is provided by Manna Food Pantry. Client comments included “poor content of the food boxes” and the fact that they need to make appointment to pick up food (The initial contract stated pick up on certain hours/days.) OASIS requested an increase in budgeted funds as they have so many clients that meet the eligibility that they are spending several dollars less per client than the allotted \$35 per month we recommend increasing the funds for OASIS food bank \$2000 (\$10,800) bringing the Food Bank allocation to \$19,800.

Mental Health services by licensed providers are needed for individual counseling at OASIS. *Delayed appointments and lack of any continuity of care of the Medicaid client continues as an issue with Lakeview. When unable to secure appointments, RW services can be accessed.* Psychosocial Support Services line item has not be utilized this year:, however it is recommended that HAPC and LSF staff research to see if this can be utilized for support groups and whether a licensed provider has to be the facilitator of the support group.

AHF has requested at least a part-time Case Manager to be on site with AHF. LSF will see if Sacred Heart Case Manager or LSF Case Managers can assist at AHF.

See attached budget recommendations for 2015-2016 Ryan White Part B Allocations.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Hall and Josh Menge , Co-Chairmen

The budget recommendations for the 2016-2017 Ryan White Part B are as follows:

Ambulatory /Outpatient Care	\$491,034
AHF	\$461,034
Specialty Care	\$30,000
AIDS Pharmaceuticals	\$15,000
Oral Health	\$89,735
ECC	\$22,500
Affordable Dentures	\$15,000
Midtown Dental	\$37,889
Dr. Woo	\$15,000
Health Insurance Premium/ Cost Sharing	\$12,000
Mental Health Services	\$34,200
(Okaloosa)	\$5,500
Chris Bailey	\$14,500
Debra DuBois	\$14,200*
Marvin Chaffin	\$6,000
Psycho/social Support*	\$100
Medical Nutritional therapy	\$13,250
Medial Case Management	\$189,250
Case Manage4ment (non-medial)	\$189,250
Emergency Financial Assistance	\$25,000
Food Bank/ Home Delivered Meals	\$19,800
MANNA	\$9,000
OASIS	\$10,800
Linguistic Services	\$2,000
Medical Transportation	\$9,800
Total	\$1,090,419