

METROPOLITAN ATLANTA HIV HEALTH SERVICES PLANNING COUNCIL

*Public Policy Committee
Phillip Rush Center, Atlanta, GA
April 13, 2018
2:30 PM*

Members Present:	Members Absent:
Jeff Graham, Chair	Khafre Abif
Dr. David Holland	Dr. Melanie Thompson
Dr. David Reznik	Steven Bates
Eric Paulk	Gwen Davies
John Gooden	Amir Jones
Melissa Beaupierre	Cathi Leencerot
	Alexis Myers
	Sandra Wright
	Stephen Margolis
	William Bryant

Also in attendance: Amber McQueen and Emily Brown

QUORUM:

{The presence of (3) active members of the Committee, Caucus, or Task Force shall constitute a quorum}

Yes No

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair called meeting to order at 2:35 PM with introductions

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

{Attach a copy of your agenda}

<i>Motion: To approve the agenda as presented.</i>	
Votes For: 8	Motioned by: David Reznik
Votes Against: 0	Seconded by: David Holland
Changes/Additions:	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Meeting Date: February 9, 2018	
Votes For: 8	Motioned by: David Resznik
Votes	Seconded by: David Holland

Against:0	
Corrections:	

AGENDA ITEM # 3 AGENDA ITEM: Federal Issues Update
{Insert Agenda Number and Item, ex. A. B. C., I. II. III., 1. 2. 3. – Indicate “Old” or “New” Business with a check mark}}

Brief Summary of Discussion:			Old Business
Chair distributed FY19 budget community request around HIV/AIDS. For now we’re still expecting to see CRs from Congress. HRSA has done preliminary awards, Atlanta EMA did receive an increase.			X
AIDS Watch Report Back:			New Business
Eric provided a report back on AIDS Watch. Georgia was well represented with 45 people attending from the state. The advocates attending discussed some of the AIDS United priorities: budget and appropriations, civil rights, HIV prevention & sex education and Medicaid expansion. Some of the state specific priorities were around convening for HIV criminal reform and housing, as well as HOPWA and funding.			
Engaging Congress Members During Recess:			
There was some conversation around engaging congress members during the recess to conduct site visits as well as developing a sheet for funded agencies to engage congressional folks.			
<i>Motion: N/A</i>			
<i>Action to be taken: David Holland will send an email about John Lewis visiting the Prep Clinic.</i>			
# of Votes For:	# of Votes Against:	Motioned By:	Motion Passes
		Seconded By:	<input type="checkbox"/>
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AGENDA ITEM # 4 AGENDA ITEM: State Issues Update
{Insert Agenda Number and Item, ex. A. B. C., I. II. III., 1. 2. 3. – Indicate “Old” or “New” Business with a check mark}}

Brief Summary of Discussion:	Old Business
Legislative Update:	X

<p>HB 737: Court ordered blood testing in cases of occupational exposure of public servants. This bill is died.</p> <p>HB 737 morphed into a call via HR 1321 for a Study Committee for other ways to accomplish the goal of protecting public servants. This also died.</p> <p>HB 755: PrEP Pilot program, did not cross over.</p> <p>HB 161: HB 161, which would decriminalize needle exchange in Georgia, moved to the Senate Rules Committee. The bill passed out of committee but with major additions. The additions called for, among other things, the establishment of a Commission on Substance Abuse & Recovery headed by a Director. Unfortunately, it ultimately failed to pass. The House did not vote on the amended version that the Senate passed.</p> <p>Omnibus Bill:</p> <p>For the past several legislative session, a growing number of bills have been introduced to address various policy issues related to Georgia's HIV epidemic. Rather than continuing to address this legislation in a piecemeal fashion, the interest has shifted towards pursuing a broader omnibus bill.</p> <p>This initial session will take place in conjunction with the Public Policy Committee meeting of the Metro Atlanta HIV Health Services Planning. The goal of this first gathering will be to create a list of potential topics and issues to be addressed with such legislation.</p> <p>The proposed timeline is to identify common areas to be addressed in May - June, begin to work on draft language July - September and then begin to look for legislative sponsors in the fall. The ultimate goal will be to present a package to the incoming Governor's transition team in December to see if there might be high level support for this concept, in the hopes that it can be introduced in 2019 for passage by 2020.</p>				<p>New Business</p>
<p><i>Motion: N/A</i></p>				
<p><i>Action to be taken: Get on the agenda for the next GPACC Meeting to discuss the Omnibus bill.</i></p>				
# of Votes For:	# of Votes Against:	Motioned By:	Motion Passes	Motion Fails
		Seconded By:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

AGENDA ITEM # 5 AGENDA ITEM: Housing Issues
{Insert Agenda Number and Item, ex. A. B. C., I. II. III., 1. 2. 3. – Indicate “Old” or “New” Business with a check mark}}

<p>Brief Summary of Discussion:</p> <p>Emily Brown representing Living Room discussed an upcoming meeting for May 23rd with Atlanta HOPWA Providers and housing advocates. The meeting will cover</p>	<p>Old Business</p>
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Living Room's consolidated feedback from HOPWA provider convenings, community/client feedback sessions and related information to create an HIV Housing Advocacy Agenda for Metro Atlanta. They will also review the advocacy agenda and decide collectively how to move forward.			New Business X	
<i>Motion: N/A</i>				
<i>Action to be taken:</i>				
# of Votes For:	# of Votes Against:	Motioned By:	Motion Passes <input type="checkbox"/>	Motion Fails <input type="checkbox"/>
		Seconded By:		

AGENDA ITEM # 6 AGENDA ITEM: Other Issues & Announcements
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Brief Summary of Discussion:			Old Business	
Medicaid Drug Utilization Board Meeting – The topic was presented, however there were no concerns that needed to be noted.				
Fulton County HIV/AIDS Prevention, Care and Policy Committee – It was noted that there had been at least two appointments to the committee			New Business X	
<i>Motion:</i>				
<i>Action to be taken:</i>				
# of Votes For:	# of Votes Against:	Motioned By:	Motion Passes <input type="checkbox"/>	Motion Fails <input type="checkbox"/>
		Seconded By:		

NEXT MEETING DATE: May 11, 2018

NEXT MEETING TIME: 1:00 PM

NEXT MEETING LOCATION: Phillip Rush Center

Time Meeting Adjourned: 3:35 PM

Attested by: [Signature] {Chair's Signature}

Minutes Approval Date: 7/13/18



