

Morris, Sussex and Warren (MSW) HIV/AIDS Collaborative

Advisory Committee and Early Intervention and Retention Collaborative Meeting Minutes

1 MEETING INFORMATION

Date	June 19, 2018
Location	Human Services, 1 Medical Drive, Morris Plains
Start Time	11:06am

2 ATTENDANCE AND QUORUM

Voting Members Present	Total Voting Members	Number Needed for Quorum	Number Needed for Two-thirds
6	9	5	6

Members Present: Jennifer Amaya, Shelia Carter, Allison Delcalzo-Berens, Jennifer McGee-Avila, Johanna Moore, Ken O'Bryant, Aliya Onque, Lydia Sanchez, David Saltzman, Caroline Schenkman

Conference Call: Ed Barron, Kelly Martins

Other Attendees: Robert Armstrong, Bill Balkum, Quincy Bell, Andrew Bigelow, Summer Brown, Lauren Corbishley, Jennie, Crespo, Jaclyn Cruz, Kellie Doucette, Hill Hirsch, Pat MocarSKI, Alton Robinson, Duane Robinson, Oscar Ruge, Anthony Sansone, Pannell Strawbridge, Xiomara Vargas, Samuel Williams

Members Absent: Becky Carlson, Danielle Nebesni, Ron Ritzie, Michele Verones, James Webb, Ricardo Salcido, Geri Summers

3 SUMMARY

Welcome	Delcalzo-Berens called the meeting to order. Participants introduced themselves and Delcalzo-Berens circulated a newsletter with updates from agencies.
Presentation	Alton Robinson provided a presentation on CARES and its community-based programs including recovery programs, prevention programs and community partnerships. The committee engaged in a dialogue about co-occurring mental health and substance use issues, stigma, need for appropriate environment upon program release, barriers to recovery and cultural and geographical differences in resources and needs. While CARES does not currently have bilingual peer recovery specialists, they utilize translation services from the Family Success Center. Robinson stated that CARES staff or volunteers will come to the agency to meet with clients and move them into recovery ASAP.
Minutes	Delcalzo-Berens distributed the minutes from the April 17, 2018 meeting. Sanchez made a motion to approve the minutes. Moore seconded the motion. The April 17, 2018 minutes were approved without comment at 11:55am.
Subcommittees/ Work Groups/ Special Projects	<p><u>Lunch and Learn Project:</u> Delcalzo-Berens reported that the next lunch and learn will take place immediately after today's meeting. The next lunch and learn will be sponsored by the Family Health Center after the September meeting on the topic of Getting Back to Work.</p> <p><u>Community Action Board:</u> Moore reported that the CAB has changed its name from the Consumer Advisory Board to the Community Action Board. The next meeting will take place in one week on June 26 and there will be a pharmacist available to answer questions. The following meeting in July will be around the topic of Aging Positively.</p>



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	<p>Needs Assessment Subcommittee: Delcalzo-Berens reported that the consumer survey has hit some roadblocks but is expected to be distributed within the next week. O’Bryant reported that NEMA has incorporated the local Morris, Sussex, Warren survey into its own survey. Delcalzo-Berens will follow up on this.</p> <p>Web Presence Workgroup: No update.</p>
Membership	<p>Moore presented Xiomara Vargas, Linkage to Care Coordinator at Zufall Health Center, for committee membership. Schenkman seconded the motion and the motion passed without comment at 12:10pm.</p> <p>Vargas presented Oscar Ruge-Jimenez, Community Health Worker at Zufall Health Center, for committee membership. Schenkman seconded the motion and the motion passed without comment at 12:10pm.</p> <p>Moore presented Duane Robinson, Community Member, for committee membership. Sanchez seconded the motion and the motion passed without comment at 12:10pm.</p> <p>Delcalzo-Berens asked for nominations or volunteers who are interested in being an officer, Vice Chair or Secretary, to come to her today after the meeting.</p>
Housing Update	Delcalzo-Berens reported that Onque informed her after the last meeting that after speaking with HOPWA representatives there is no expectation of reduced funding for 2019.
Legislative Update	Delcalzo-Berens reported that the CAB worked on questions to the candidates and that the questions were distributed to all ten primary candidates for the NJ 11 th Congressional District. There were a handful of replies and one of those responses came from Mikie Sherrill who has also sent campaign staff to this meeting today to hear concerns and represent her. These staff members, Kellie Doucette and Jill Hirsch would be available after the meeting for anyone interested in speaking with them.
Public Testimony	None.
Announcements	<p>Carter and Mocarski announced a recovery forum for consumers and families is taking place on June 21 at 5pm.</p> <p>McGee-Avila reported that the Ryan White conference in Washington, DC will take place in December and clinicians are encouraged to attend. She will send a flyer to be forwarded to the group by Delcalzo-Berens</p> <p>O’Bryant reported that the CAEAR Coalition will be having a quarterly meeting conference call and invited all to attend as part of the NEMA Planning Council.</p>
Adjournment	<p>Meeting was adjourned at 12:15pm.</p> <p>The next meeting is scheduled for September 18 at Morristown Medical Center and will be followed by a Lunch and Learn.</p>

4 LUNCH AND LEARN

Morris County Department of Human Services sponsored a lunch and learn with speaker Suzanne Willard from Rutgers University School of Nursing who provided a presentation about HIV Around the World.

