



ADOPTED – REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

COMMITTEE: Citizens Advisory Committee on Health and Human Services (CAC/HHS)

MEETING DATE and TIME: September 8, 2022 at 9:00 AM

MEETING LOCATION: Virtual & First Floor Conference Room – 2300 Vista Parkway, West Palm Beach, FL 33411

PERSON PRESIDING: Dr. Christine Koehn, Vice Chair (IP)

REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: “Virtual” = (V) & “In-Person” = (IP): Dr. Thomas Cleare (V), Randy Palo (IP), Dr. Constance Siskowski (V), Inger Harvey (V), Elisa Cramer (V), Anne Caroline Valtin (IP).

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Dr. Barbara Cox Gerlock (IP), Scott Kannel (IP), Houston Tate (IP).

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Reginald Duren (IP), James Green (V), Helene Hvizd (V), Stessy Cocerez (IP), Adam Reback (IP), Maybe Alfau (IP), John Hulick (IP), Charlotte Leonard (IP), Marie Presmy (V), Patty Isola (IP), Aaron Rubenstein (V), Amber Lott (V), Amelia Sanchez (V), Barb Lansberry (V), Cristobel Perez (V), Dannie Matevia (V), David Whitesock (V), Ian Stone (V), Emily Gorman (V), Jennifer Rey (V), Jill Singer (V), Lauren Scirrotto (V), Linda Kane (V), Sherry Henry (V), Sofie Briseus (V).

DISCLOSURES: Dr. Constance Siskowski is employed by the American Association of Caregiving Youth (AACY), which is a recipient of Financially Assisted Agencies (FAA) funding.

CHAIR & STAFF COMMENTS: Dr. Christine Koehn took a moment to welcome everyone in attendance and thanked those who have shown interest in joining the CAC.

CONSENT ACTIONS OF MEETING

Agenda Item: *2.A/B. Additions, Deletion, Substitutions / Adoption of Agenda*

Discussion: No additions, deletions, or substitutions were made.

Action Taken: Motion was made to approve the agenda by Dr. Constance Siskowski. Second by Anne Caroline Valtin. All in favor, motion passed.

REGULAR BUSINESS

Agenda Item: *3.A. Adoption of CAC/HHS Regular Committee Meeting Minutes (August 11, 2022)*

Discussion: Dr. Christine Koehn proposed that additional language be made on the matrix domain of childcare.

Action Taken: Motion was made to approve the agenda by Elisa Cramer. Second by Randy Palo. All in favor, motion passed.

REGULAR BUSINESS

Agenda Item: 3.B. Financially Assisted Agencies (FAA) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Update (Stessy Cocerez)

- Stessy Cocerez stated that the department is planning to release a mini NOFO in September and it will focus on transportation, housing and mobile outreach. The NOFO will include funding from various sources, including FAA strategic dollars and federal dollars
- The CAC members were encouraged to volunteer as review panelists and anyone interested should contact Ms. Cocerez. Anne Caroline Valtin, Inger Harvey, and Dr. Constance Siskowski expressed interest during the meeting.

REGULAR BUSINESS

Agenda Item: 3.C. Economic Mobility Summit Presentation (Dr. James Green)

- Dr. James Green discussed the upcoming Economic Mobility Summit on September 28, 2022.
- Dr. Green mentioned that there will be National and Local speakers sharing their expertise in different areas such as housing, transportation, child care, education, technology, and food and hunger.
- Dr. Green also invited and encouraged all members and attendees to register and participate in the upcoming Summit.

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Agenda Item: 3.D. CAC Membership Matrix, Recruitment, Reappointments (Dr. Christine Koehn)

- Dr. Christine Koehn confirmed that the CAC has two (2) members up for re-appointment: Dr. Merlene Ramnon and Dr. Thomas Cleare. Their applications will on the BCC agenda for Sep. 15th. In terms of recruitment, there are three (3) applicants: Dr. Barbara Cox Gerlock, Charlotte Leonard and Marie Presmy.
- Dr. Christine Koehn then gave a brief overview of what each of the applicants can contribute towards within the committee and allowed them an opportunity to share their thoughts –
 - Dr. Barbara Cox Gerlock took a moment to express her interest of re-joining the CAC once again. She shared her reason for stepping down after previously serving on the committee for 16 years and she stated that her schedule has now allowed her to commit to the committee and is more than happy to serve once more.
 - Charlotte Leonard introduced herself to the CAC as a new councilwoman with the City of Westlake. She has expertise on senior healthcare and post-acute care. She looks forward to being a liaison between the Florida League of Cities and the CAC. Ms. Leonard is also a member of the National Coalition of 100 Black Women where she serves as a health committee chair.
 - Marie Presmy serves as FoundCare's Chief Program Officer and is working closely to battle issues within the county to provide cost effective and accessible healthcare, as well as accessible transportation.
- Dr. Christine Koehn emphasized the areas of expertise that the CAC could expand on such as housing, business and economic development, transportation and developmental services. Stessy Cocerez also mentioned that she reached out to contacts at Palm Tran and the Local Transportation Disadvantaged Board for any potential candidates that are subject matter experts in Transportation.

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Agenda Item: 3.D. CAC Membership Matrix, Recruitment, Reappointments (Dr. Christine Koehn)

Discussion: See bullet points above

Action taken: Motion to recommend Dr. Barbara Cox Gerlock's application to the BCC made by Randy Palo. Seconded by Anne Caroline Valtin. All in favor, motion passed. Motion to recommended Ms. Charlotte Leonard's application to the BCC made by Elisa Cramer. Seconded by Randy Palo. All in favor, motion passed. Motion to approve Ms. Marie Presmy as a CAC ex-officio member by Anne Caroline Valtin. Seconded by Dr. Constance Siskowski. All in favor, motion passed.

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Agenda Item: 3.E. RCC/RCOs and the Value of a Person-Centered Recovery-Oriented System of Care (Ian Stone)

- John Hulick briefly introduced Ian Stone, the Recovery Community Organization Project Manager for the Palm Beach County HUB.
- Ian Stone gave an oversight of RCC/RCOs and the Value of a Person-Centered Recovery-Oriented System of Care in PBC. Mr. Stone introduced the importance of implementing and utilizing recovery principles, recovery hubs, and capitol indexes.
- Mr. Stone also spoke about a brief analysis of the involvement that the current Hub in Delray Beach, FL has successfully completed and shared that it continues to improve the quality of services within the recovery system. He then proceeded to explain that the mission is to increase opportunities for the Palm Beach County recovery resources.

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Agenda Item: 3.F. RCI Priorities and the Value of a Person-Centered Recovery-Oriented System of Care (David Whitesock)

- David Whitesock introduced himself as the Founder and CEO of Commonly Well. He is also the creator of the Recovery Capital Index.
- Mr. Whitesock described the term recovery capital, which includes the internal and external resources that can be drawn upon to pursue, achieve, sustain, and enhance a life of recovery or wellbeing. He also explained the differences between Personal Capital, Social Capital and Cultural Capital and shared how the Recovery Capital Index can create a more meaningful and positive change in the spectrum of recovery.
- Dr. Connie Siskowski asked if the services are also being extended to the children of the parent receiving benefits from the Hub and the Recovery Capital. John Hulick answered that at the moment, the focus has not shifted enough to reach more than the specific person who is being served.
- Dr. Barbara Cox Gerlock asked who was funding the Hub. John Hulick answered that it is funded by the County through its opioid response funds.
- Randy Palo asked what the Hub's relationship was with clinical services. John Hulick explained that they operate as a referral baseline, but they are trying to shift to contracts instead so they can have a wider opportunity to help more clients and increase the Recovery Capital Index.
- Dr. Barbara Cox Gerlock asked what the length of stay was for someone in the Hub. John Hulick answered that they don't measure length of stay, they measure length of engagement. Dr. Barbara Cox Gerlock also asked what the after-care support is once someone finishes their engagement with the Hub. John Hulick answered that there is a plan in place for after-care after someone has reach a certain level of engagement with the Hub (such as housing and/or stability).
- Dr. Christine Koehn thanked David Whitesock, Ian Stone and John Hulick for their presentations and she shared her excitement about the work that they have put in when it comes to recovery services.

OTHER BUSINESS

Agenda Item: 4.A. Staff Information Updates

- Stessy Cocerez provided an update on the Health and Human Services Element and shared that it will be presented at a public hearing before the Planning Commission on September 9, 2022. The meeting will be aired on Channel 20 starting at 9:00am for anyone interested in watching.

OTHER BUSINESS

Agenda Item: 4.B. /C. Member Comments to Non-Agenda Items / Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

- None

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Agenda Item: 4.D. Good News Items(s)

- Houston Tate introduced the Love Your Neighbor Program and invited all CAC members and attendees to share information about their communities. He explained the hardships of managing 85 communities in order to create a more cohesive process between the Love Your Neighbor Program.
- Dr. Constance Siskowski shared that Anne Caroline Valtin is receiving the Community Spirit award later in the month of September.
- Anne Caroline Valtin informed that, with her role as director of the Great Charity Challenge, she is co-hosting a special round table with the Human Trafficking Coalition of PBC to bring awareness to the issue of Human Trafficking. The event will occur on September 26th alongside many non-profit agencies.

OTHER BUSINESS

Agenda Item: 4.E. Potential Agenda Items for Future Meetings

- None

ACTIONS OF MEETING

Agenda Item: 5. Meeting Adjournment

Discussion: None.

Action Taken: Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Anne Caroline Valtin. Second by Randy Palo. All in favor, motion passed.

DATE OF NEXT REGULAR CAC/HHS MEETING(S):	<i>October 13, 2022 (9:00 AM)</i>	&	<i>November 10, 2022 (9:00 AM)</i>
DATE OF NEXT EXECUTIVE CAC/HHS MEETING(S):	<i>October 13, 2022 (8:45 AM) if needed</i>	&	<i>November 10 (8:45 AM) if needed</i>

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