

Metropolitan Jacksonville Area HIV Health Services Planning Council

Council News and Updates

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A WORD FROM THE CHAIR

By Dawna Cornelissen, Chair

Welcome to the 2022 – 23 planning year! It is an honor to serve as the chair of the Metropolitan Jacksonville Area HIV Health Services Planning Council. The Planning Council was established by an executive order in 1994 by City of Jacksonville Mayor Ed Austin. This was a result of the Jacksonville area qualifying for Ryan White funds by reaching more than 2,000 cases of AIDS. Twenty-five years later, Duval County qualified for additional federal funding from the Ending the HIV Epidemic initiative for being one of 48 counties with the highest number of new HIV diagnoses in the U.S. In 2019, our Transitional Grant Area (Duval, Clay, Nassau, and St Johns) saw 329 people newly diagnosed with HIV, which is slightly less than the 342 new HIV diagnoses in the same area in 2018.

The purpose of the Planning Council is to provide a means for planning and implementing a coordinated response to the needs of people living with and affected by HIV in our community. This includes making decisions about HIV/AIDS service priorities and allocating funds. Ryan White Planning Councils are unique. No other federal health or human services program has a legislatively required planning body that is the decision maker about how funds will be used, has such a defined membership structure, and requires such a high level of consumer participation (at least 33 percent). However, with great power comes great responsibility.

Members of the Planning Council have a duty to be neutral decision makers free from conflict of interest and to always have the best interests of people living with HIV in mind. In addition, the Planning Council must be a space where people living with HIV actively participate in all aspects of the planning cycle. As we move through this year, I want us to continuously ask these three questions: 1. How is the Planning Council impacting the delivery of HIV services? 2. How is the Planning Council improving outcomes in the HIV Care Continuum? and 3. How is the Planning Council impeding outcomes in the HIV Care Continuum?

If you are not already involved in the Planning Council, please consider joining a committee! Committee members do not have to be members of the Planning Council. Most of the work we do happens in committees. This year we are hitting the ground running and a lot of the work is going to begin in March. The standing committees are Bylaws, Community Connections, Continuum of Care Coordination, Membership, and Priority and Allocations. If you would like more information about a committee or to sign up for a committee, please contact Karen Andrade at PlanningCouncil@coj.net or 904-255-3346.

SAVE THE DATE: MONTHLY CALENDAR – March 2022

With the transition of committee chairs this month, please confirm the date, time, and location of meetings with the Planning Council Support Staff at PlanningCouncil@coj.net or 904-255-3346.

| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri |
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| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 7 | 8 | 9 Membership Committee 1809 Art Museum Dr 2 - 4 pm | 10 Community Connections 515 W 6th St 11:30 am - 1 pm <hr/> CCC Committee* 1809 Art Museum Dr 2 - 4 pm | 11 ICP Writing Ad-hoc Committee 1809 Art Museum Dr 2 - 4 pm |
| 14 Executive Committee 1809 Art Museum Dr 10 am - 12 pm <hr/> Priority & Allocations Committee TBD 2 - 4 pm | 15 | 16 | 17 Needs Assessment Ad-hoc Committee TBD 2 - 4 pm | 18 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 Planning Council UF Towers Charter Room 580 8 th St W 3 - 5 pm | 25 |
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*CCC = Continuum of Care Coordination

HOW TO ATTEND PLANNING COUNCIL MEETINGS

Members of the public are welcome to attend all Council and Committee meetings. The current options for attending include:

- Physically Present: Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings in person. Due to COVID 19 distancing guidelines, meetings are taking place in several locations and masks are strongly encouraged.
 - Electronically: At this time, the option for guests to attend electronically via Zoom is only available for Planning Council meetings and not Committee meetings.
 - For more information, contact PlanningCouncil@coj.net or 904-255-3346.
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MEETING MINUTES

See what we've been up to! Read our meeting minutes here:

<https://www.coj.net/departments/parks-and-recreation/social-services/ryan-white-c-a-r-e-act,-part-a/planning-council/about-us#MEETING%20MINUTES>

PARTNER ANNOUNCEMENTS

The City of Jacksonville does not endorse any of the following events.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

The Intersectionality of Race, Gender, and Class and the Impact on Health Care (Virtual)

March 3, 2022 1 – 2 p.m.

Register: <https://tinyurl.com/drwatkins>

Methamphetamine Addiction and HIV Prevention (Virtual)

March 4, 2022 1 - 2 p.m. EST

Register: <https://www.phntx.org/event/scaetc-methamphetamine-addiction-hiv-prevention/>

ELEVATE: Principles of Harm Reduction in HIV Services (Virtual)

March 8, 2022 2 – 4 p.m.

Register: https://targethiv.org/calendar/elevate-principles-harm-reduction-hiv-services?utm_source=hbw

Opportunistic Infections (Virtual)

March 9, 2022 9 – 10 a.m. EST

Register: https://www.seaetc.com/event/?ER_ID=85232

National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Champions Two-Day Academy (Virtual)

March 9, 2022 4 – 7 p.m.

Register: https://www.seaetc.com/event/?ER_ID=84666

March 10, 2022 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Register: https://www.seaetc.com/event/?ER_ID=84665

Ryan White Part A Standards of Care Meeting

March 10 & 23, 2022 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

BHS Large Conference Room

1809 Art Museum Dr Jacksonville, FL 32207

RSVP: SArts@coj.net or 904-255-3342

Aging Populations and HIV Prevention (Virtual)

March 11, 2022 1 – 2 p.m. EST

Register: <https://www.phntx.org/event/scaetc-aging-populations-hiv-prevention/>

Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS Meeting with Listening Session and Public Comment (Virtual)

March 14 – 15, 2022

Click here for attendance info: <https://www.hiv.gov/blog/pacha-seeks-engage-community-voices-march-2022-meeting>

March HAB You Heard Webinar

March 24, 2022 2 – 3 p.m.

Register: https://hrsa.gov.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_q296YERSMi671HnKg6jCW

Strides for Pride 5k, Fun Run, Pets for Pride Photo Fun-raiser

April 23, 2022

Cost: \$35 - \$45

Register: <https://www.jasmyn.org/strides-for-pride>

National Conference on Social Work and HIV/AIDS

May 25 – 28, 2022

New Orleans, Louisiana

Early Bird Registration Ends 4/11/22. Registration costs vary:

<https://viethconsulting.com/Calendar/moreinfo.php?eventid=67998>

Save the Date:

National Ryan White Conference on HIV Care & Treatment

August 23 – 26, 2022

More info: <https://ryanwhiteconference.hrsa.gov/>

ONGOING EVENTS:

COVID-19 Vaccine and Testing Locations in Jacksonville

Click here: <http://duval.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/infectious-disease-services/COVID-19/index.html>

Additional Info on COVID-19 and People with HIV:

<https://www.hiv.gov/hiv-basics/staying-in-hiv-care/other-related-health-issues/coronavirus-covid-19>

Positive Attitudes HIV/AIDS Support Group

Every Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Christ Church of Peace

1240 McDuff Ave S, Jacksonville, FL 32205

For more information please contact posatt123@aol.com.

Beacons of Hope HIV Support Group at Lutheran Social Services

Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month 3 – 5 p.m.

4615 Philips Highway Jacksonville, FL 32207

Refreshments will be provided. For more information please contact James Perrigan at 904-739-7015.

UF CARES Community Advisory Board (CAB)

Every 3rd Tuesday of each month 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. via Zoom

Email michael.kyger@jax.ufl.edu or call 904-244-5466 for more information.

Northeast Florida World AIDS Day Committee Meetings

2nd Tuesday of each month 12 – 1 p.m.

Meetings are currently being held virtually.

Email tim.purcell74@gmail.com for meeting info.

HIVCareNow Testing and Events Calendar

<http://hivcarenow.com/calendar/testing-calendar.html>

New FDOH HIV 101 Video

<https://vimeo.com/651650169/db56daaa5a>

Archived Webinars from the Southeast AIDS Education & Training Center: <https://www.seaetc.com/education-training/archived-webinars/>

The Planning Council is a legislatively mandated group of diverse community members who work to improve the availability, accessibility, and quality of HIV/AIDS health services. The Planning Council members participate in processes including identifying community needs, assessing the capacity to meet those needs, and allocating Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) resources.

We are always looking for new members! Members go through a rigorous interview process and are appointed by the Mayor of the City of Jacksonville to represent a particular demographic.

For more information, please contact the Planning Council Support Staff at PlanningCouncil@coj.net or 904-255-3346.

For more information about the RWHAP, please visit <https://hab.hrsa.gov>.

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