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Meeting Minutes
INTEGRATION OF CARE COMMITTEE
Lisa Zullig and Christopher Joseph, Co-Chairs

McSilver Institute at NYU
41 East 11th Street in Room 741
June 17, 2015

Members Present: Amber Casey (alt. for Graham Harriman), Michael Ealy, Dorothy Farley, Deborah Greene, Daphne Hazel, Zach Hennessey, Julie Lehane, PhD, Gina Quattrochi, Bobby Rallakis, Claire Simon, Brenda Starks-Ross, Lisa Zullig

Members Absent: Peter Campanelli, PsyD, Christopher Cunningham, Joan Edwards, Janet Goldberg, Terry Hamilton, Tracy Hatton, Christopher Joseph, Peter Laqueur, Jan Carl Park, David Price

NYC DOHMH Staff Present: Nina Rothschild, DrPH, Anna Thomas

Public Health Solutions Staff Present: Bettina Carroll

Others Present: Randall Bruce, Mary Grace Ferone, JD, Billy Fields, Barbara Graves-Poller, JD, David Martin, Saul Reyes, Liliana Vaamonde, JD, Kate Webster, JD

Material Distributed:

- Agenda
- Minutes from the June 10th NAC Meeting
- Draft Ryan White Legal Services Directive
- Draft Ryan White Legal Services Directive with Track Changes
- Year 23 Ryan White Legal Services Rates
- Number of Clients and Hours per Direct Legal Advocacy Topic
- Planning Council Calendar for June 2015

Welcome/Introductions/Moment of Silence/Review of the Meeting Packet/Review of the Minutes: Committee Co-Chair Lisa Zullig welcomed meeting participants and led the moment of silence. Attendees introduced

1 themselves. The minutes from the June 10th meeting were accepted for
2 posting on the Planning Council website at nyhiv.org with one addition to the
3 list of attendees.

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5 **Legal Services: Number of Clients and Hours per Legal Topic and Service**
6 **Rates:** Anna Thomas of the Care and Treatment Program presented
7 information from FY 14 on the number of clients and topics covered in legal
8 services encounters and on the billing rates for the contracted agencies:

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- 10 • The largest numbers of clients sought assistance for issues related to
11 welfare, subsidized housing rights, SSI/SSDI, health care proxy, and
12 advanced directives.
 - 13 • The largest numbers of hours were allocated to welfare, subsidized
14 housing rights, SSI/SSDI, landlord/tenant issues, and custody/visitation.
 - 15 • Rates for services, negotiated for each of the 11 agencies, ranged from
16 \$122 to \$221 per hour and averaged \$158 per hour.
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18 Several contractors who have more work than they can handle are using other
19 resources such as unpaid interns to support their work.

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21 **Services for Dependents:** Committee members discussed whether services
22 could be provided to dependents who are not HIV+ after the death of the
23 HIV+ client. Generally, the EMA tried to provide services just for PLWHA, not
24 for collaterals, especially because our award from HRSA is shrinking
25 (although bereavement counseling for survivors is permissible within
26 supportive counseling and family stabilization services). The grantee will
27 check with HRSA about the length of time during which we can serve a
28 dependent after the death of the client.

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30 **Vote on Legal Services Directive:** The legal services directive was
31 unanimously approved by all committee members present.

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33 **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned.