

Manuel Delgado and Michelle Harvey, Chairs

Bergen/Passaic TGA Strategic Planning and Assessment Committee Meeting

MEETING Minutes

Tuesday, March 4, 2024

11:30 am – 2:00 pm

Meeting via Zoom Teleconference

ATTENDANCE

Planning Council Commissioners	Present/Absent	At Large Members	Present/Absent
Bre Azanedo	A	Anjettica Boatwright	A
Abraham Corsino	P	Jerry Dillard	P
Manuel Delgado	P	Shametra Hall	A
Doris Ezomo	P	Gloria Price	A
Graziela Ferreira	P	Miriam Torres	A
Thaisha Gonzalez	A	Karen Walker	A
Sara Grajeda	P	Ray Welsh	P
Deeanne Hackett	P		
Michelle Harvey	P	GUESTS	
Andriana Herrera	A	War Talley	
Edward Marshall	A	Raychel Cohen	
Ric Miles	A	Jeanette Rodriguez	
Robert Schaffer	P	Norman Valdez	
Marc Scott	A	George Rios	
Dan Smith	P	Bob West	
Monique Springer	A		
PC Support Staff		Recipient Staff	
Thomas Rodriguez-Schucker	P	Milagros Izquierdo	A
Deryk Jackson	P	Phillip Velazquez	A

1. **Moment of Silence** – Thomas Schucker introduced himself and will be leading this meeting as Manny Delgado is feeling a bit under the weather. A moment of silence was observed, with special recognition of Joey Wiskovitz, a long-time member who passed away the previous week.
2. **Welcome to the Chair** - Thomas welcomed everyone to the meeting.
3. **Roll Call** - Support Staff took a roll call of members and established a quorum for the meeting. Representatives from Oak Street Health introduced their organization as a Medicare-focused primary care provider. They described services including pharmacy access and transportation. Thomas also reminded attendees to adhere to HRSA regulations and Planning Council guidelines.

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4. Public Comments and Emerging Trends

- Concerns were raised about changes in the PAD program due to a manufacturer no longer participating, affecting access to HIV medications. ADAP was suggested as an alternative for clients impacted.
- Discussion also covered upcoming 340B changes including rebate systems and limitations on medication dispensing. These could reduce funding for supplemental services like PrEP labs and co-pays.

5. Review & Approval of Minutes from the January 7, 2025 Strategic Planning and Assessment Committee Meeting.

There was a motion to approve the January 7, 2025, minutes by Anjettica Boatwright and seconded by Dan Smith.

For: (9) Corsino, Delgado, Ezomo, Ferreira, Grajeda, Hackett, Harvey, Schaffer, Smith

Against: (0)

Abstain: (2) Dillard, Welsh

6. Business Items

a. Review of Planning Council Action Timeline (PCAT) –March 2025

- Support staff reviewed the PCAT to ensure the Planning Council remains in line with its legislative responsibilities. The PC remains on track.
- The PCAT for GY2025 was reviewed for all committees and each task was explained and discussed with time for questions.

VOTE: This motion came from the Steering Committee and does not require a second. All attendees in favor of approving the GY2025 Planning Council Activity Timeline:

For: (11) Corsino, Delgado, Dillard, Ezomo, Ferreira, Grajeda, Hackett, Harvey, Schaffer, Smith, Welsh

Against: (0)

Abstain: (0)

- b. Review and resolve parking lot items** There were no parking lot items to address for today's meeting.
- c. Review Reallocation Request from the Recipients Office** - There were no reallocation requests at this time.
- d. Review Part A Expenditure Reports by Service Category** – There was no report at this time.
- e. Review Carryover Requests with the Recipient** – There were no carryover requests at this time.
- f. Review Progress and Updates of the Integrated Plan** – There were no updates on the Integrated Plan at this time.
- g. GY2026 Priority Setting and Resource Allocation Framework**
- These meetings will take place on August 5th and 6th
 - More details will be discussed in the coming months.

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h. Review of the TGA's Continuum of Care by Service Category -

Support staff presented the reports of the continuum of care for GY2024. This included the following:

- Viral suppression, engaged in care, retained in care by gender, race and ethnicity.
- How many people were diagnosed by gender, race and ethnicity.
- How many people are on antiretroviral therapies by gender, race and ethnicity.

i. Review/Update Planning Council Bylaws

Support staff presented the updated bylaws to be reviewed.

VOTE:

Dan Smith made a motion to approve the updated Bylaws and Anjettica Boatwright.

For: (11) Corsino, Delgado, Dillard, Ezomo, Ferreira, Grajeda, Hackett, Harvey, Schaffer, Smith,

Against: (0)

Abstain: (1) Welsh

j. Review/Update the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

This is a shared understanding between Planning Council, the Mayor's office and the recipient's office. It outlines the responsibilities of all parties involved and the pathways of communication. Support staff presented the updated MOU for review and discussion.

VOTE:

Anjettica Boatwright made a motion to approve the updated MOU and seconded by Dan Smith.

For: (11) Corsino, Delgado, Dillard, Ezomo, Ferreira, Grajeda, Hackett, Harvey, Schaffer, Smith, Welsh

Against: (0)

Abstain: (0)

k. Review/Update Directives to the Recipient's Office

Support staff presented the current Directives to the Recipient's Office. There were no updated suggested:

VOTE:

Anjettica Boatwright made a motion to approve the Directies as presented and Deanne Hacket seconded the motion.

For: (11) Corsino, Delgado, Dillard, Ezomo, Ferreira, Grajeda, Hackett, Harvey, Schaffer, Smith, Welsh

Against: (0)

Abstain: (0)

l. Training on the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP)

Support staff presented a training on the RWHAP which included the following:

- Overview of the program.
- Introduction to the HIV Health Care Services Act
- Key facts about the Ryan White Program
- Key provisions of the Act

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- Explanation of all Ryan White Programs Parts
 - Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE)
 - Minority AIDS Initiative
7. **Announcements and Emerging Trends (Discussion, all matters in this item are informational only)**
- Ray asked for any ideas that people might have in order to serve populations that are not allowed to be served on grant health opportunities. He invited everyone to join the AIDS walk this year at the InnsLiff Stadium. They will give a very steep discount to nonprofit organizations that would like to join to help bring people together, churches, schools, etc. There is a parking garage at no cost for attendees.
8. **Strategic Planning & Assessment Committee Meeting Feedback** – Support staff explained to all attendees how to either use the link or scan the QR code to leave their feedback for the meeting.
9. **Public Comments and Emerging Trends (Discussion, all matters in this item are informational only)**
- War announced that the Northeast Caribbean AIDS Education Training Center are collaborating with all of their regional sites to put a curriculum together for Ryan White funded medical case managers. The first training is an orientation training, which is scheduled for, excuse me, which is scheduled for March 20th and will be virtual from 10:30am – 12:00pm
10. **Adjournment**
- VOTE:
- There was a motion to adjourn the meeting by Anjettica Boatwright and seconded by Deeanne Hackett.
- For: (11)** Corsino, Delgado, Dillard, Ezomo, Ferreira, Grajeda, Hackett, Harvey, Schaffer, Smith, Welsh
- Against: (0)**
- Abstain: (0)**

Upcoming Planning Council Meetings:

Tuesday, April 1, 2025

1. Steering Committee Meeting – 4:00pm – 5:30pm
2. Planning Council Meeting – 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Buddies of New Jersey
149 Hudson Street
Hackensack, New Jersey 07601

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	SPA	PC	SPA	PSRA	PSRA	SPA	DOC	SPA	PC	SPA	PC	SPA	PC	ABSENCES
Name of Commissioner	May	June	July	Aug	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov.	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	
Bre Azanedo	O	P	P	O	P	P	O	P	P	P	O	O	P	5
Abraham Corsino	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	O	P	P	P	P	1
Manuel Delgado	P	P	P	O	P	O	P	P	O	P	P	P	O	4
Dorris Ezomo	P	P	P	P	O	P	P	O	P	P	P	P	P	2
Thaisha Gonzales									P	O	O	P	O	3
Sara Grajeda			O	O	O	P	O	P	P	P	P	P	O	5
Deeanne Hackett	P	P	O	O	P	P	P	O	P	P	P	P	P	3
Michelle Harvey	P	O	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	1
Andriana Herrera	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	O	P	P	O	O	O	4
Edward Marshall	P	P	P	O	P	P	P	O	P	P	P	O	O	4
Ric Miles	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	O	P	1
Robert Schaffer			P	P	P	O	O	P	P	P	P	P	P	2
Marc Scott			P	P	O	P	P	P	P	P	O	O	P	3
Dan Smith	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	0
Monique Springer	P	O	P	P	P	P	O	P	P	P	P	O	P	3
AT LARGE MEMBERS														
Anjettica Boatwright	P			P			O	P	P	P	P	O	P	2
Shametra Hall	P			P			P	P	O	O	P	O	O	5
Ray Welsh	P			P			P	P	O	P	P	P	O	2
Jerry Dillard	P			P			O	P	P	P	P	P	O	2
Gloria Price	P			O			O	O	O	O	O	O	O	9
Miriam Tores	P			P			P	O	O	O	P	O	O	6
Karen Walker	O			O			O	P	O	P	P	O	O	5

**At Large Commissioners Highlighted*

Key: Present (P), Absent (O)

*Alternate was present at the time of roll call. The Commissioner arrived afterward.

**Resignation received on this day.

Ric Miles
Ric Miles (Oct 1, 2025 10:34:51 EDT)

Oct 1, 2025

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