**Access Network of June 26, 2015**

**Durham County Health Department, Durham, NC**

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| **Funded Provider Programs** | **State Programs** | **Other Programs** |
| Wake County Human Services (Care Network Lead Agency) (RWB, EC, PF, HOPWA, CAPUS, RWC) | Karen Best, Gladys Bonilla, Natasha Bowen, John Brown, Michael McNeill, Yvonne Torres | HIV Prevention  |  |  |  |
| Alliance of AIDS Services – Carolina (PF) | Tavonyia Thompson |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | AIDS Care Program | Jim Bradley | Triangle Empowerment / Safe Spaces | Carolyn Harris, Miguel Hunter |
| WECAHN (PF, RWB) | Ricky Duck, Linda Herrera | DHHS | Robin Rivera, Lameisha Vernon | ACRA | Brenda Ruffin |
| Duke Partners in Caring (HOPWA, PF, RWB) | Tiffany Bell, Artie Hendricks, Tamsey Hill |  |  | UNC – Pediatric ID | Amy Ferlo |
|  |  |  |  | My Sister’s Keeper | Sharon Leach |
| Duke Pediatric ID (RWB, RWD) | Julieta Giner, Mary McLees-Lane |  |  |  |  |
| Durham County Health Department (PF) | Annette Carrington, Dennis Hamlet, Jacquie Melvin, Paul Weaver |  |  |  |  |
| El Centro Hispano (PF) | Alex Cordova, Maritza Chirinos, Fiorella Horna |  |  |  |  |
| Healing with CAARe, Inc (RWB, PF, CAPUS, MAI) | , Terrie Green, Carolyn Hinton, Roselle Jarmon, Stephanie Riley |  |  |  |  |
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| Strengthening the Black Family (PF) | Linda Riggins |  |  |  |  |
| UNC – Adult ID (RWB, RWC) | Amy Heine |  |  |  |  |
| Warren Vance Community Health Center (RWB, EC, RWC, PF) | Rita Cozart, Tyler Parker |  |  |  |  |
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**Welcome/Introductions/Housekeeping**

Michael McNeill welcomed the network meeting. Introductions were made among those present. Michael thanked the Healing with CAARe, Inc. for hosting the meeting.

**Review of April Notes:**

No corrections were noted for the April notes.

**Open Comment**

* Healing with CAARe, Inc., hosted an open house meeting for the Men’s Clinic. They are setting up a time to invite providers to the clinic. The clinic is for HIV-positive or potentially high risk racial or sexual minority men between the ages of 18 and 40.
* UNC has a social work vacancy; please check on-line for application

**Presentation: Durham County Health Department**

Paul Weaver and Dennis Hamlet presented on the HIV Prevention and Outreach program provided via the Durham County Health Department. DCHD provides ITTS, Jail and Linkage services.

A scheduled presentation by North Carolina Central University was postponed secondary to travel demands of the NCCU staff.

**Fees-for-Service**

John Brown reported that the network had pledged out 60% of its dental funds, 33% of the specialty medical care funds and 40% of its Emergency Financial Assistance funds. Many of the EFA funds were being tapped as the state awaited HOPWA contracts.

The network has finally gotten an oral surgeon to enter into a contractual relationship. No appointments have been scheduled as of yet as we await final approval of the contract. Currently, 4 individuals are awaiting surgery with their cumulative costs in the $20,000 range.

The network is having an issue with landlords who do not wish to complete vendor registration packets secondary to concerns of having to report rental income on their taxes.

**Quarterly Report**

Michael McNeill reminded network partners to let him know of items that they wished to include in the upcoming quarterly report.

**Bridge Counselors**

Robin Rivera and Lameisha Vernon stated that the state would be undertaking a new data-to-care project. They would be getting lists of clients (believed to be) in the region who do not appear to be in care. They will be contacting clinics to see if they can help in locating / updating information about these clients.

**HOWPA Update**

Tiffany Bell started that 12 referrals had been made to the TBRA program and were ranked by importance via an acuity scale. However, the HOPWA program is unable to move on these referrals until contracts are in place. Once accepted into the program, clients have 60 days to procure housing.

Artie Hendricks reminded the network that Durham, Orange, Chatham and Person counties are now part of an MSA region that will receive their funding directly from HUD [via the Durham Housing Authority]. The state will provide funding to those counties in the transition. Duke has met with the DHA to plan for a transition, but DHA has not yet determined what they wish to do as the HOPWA grantee.

**2015 Meetings**

* **May 28, 2015 PREVENTION/CARE RFA MEETING 2:00 – 5:00**
* June 25, 2015 Healing with CAARe, Inc. 1:00 (presentations by DCHD and NCCU)
* July 30, 2015 PREVENTION/CARE RFA MEETING
* August 27, 2015 Duke Adult ID
* September 24, 2015 PREVENTION /CARE RFA MEETING
* October 29, 2015 Lincoln Community Health Center (at DCHD) (presentation by WCHS)
* **November 19, 2015** PREVENTION/CARE RFA MEETING **(date corrected from previous notes)**
* December 10, 2015 Duke Pediatric ID