**Region 6 Network of Care and Prevention**

**Meeting Minutes**

**September 26, 2019, 1:30 p.m.**

Wake County Human Services

10 Sunnybrook Road, Raleigh

**Welcome/Introductions/Housekeeping**

* Open Comment
* Guest Speaker – Casey Horvitz and Team from UNC’s Behavior and Technology Lab (BATLab)
  + Click link to learn more about studies that are currently enrolling <http://batlab.web.unc.edu/>
* Updates from Welcome Packet/Manual Committee
  + Draft of tri-fold with all agencies (funded and/or unfunded) will be provided before Nov. 14th meeting
  + One page document for all agencies (funded only) will detail their rights and functions
* Care Updates (Michael McNeill)
  + - 2020 RW Part B Budget- Submitted on Monday, Sept. 16th, 2019
    - $101k had to be cut out of budget before April 2020
    - EVERY agency cut something (not equally)
    - NO emergency assistance funds remaining unless there is an urgent clinical need (contact John Brown or Michael McNeill)
    - Additional funds will be coming along (amount, time frame to spend, when funds will be available are unknown) CORE services only (fee for service)
      * Left over DSS funds will have to be spent by 3/31/2020
  + CQI Study (Testing Uber/Lyft) Contract process has started. 13 clinics are using it at UNC. Warren-Vance Partnership will test. SafeRide (non-emergency transportation providers). Focusing on youth under 25.
    - Flat fee per month for 250 legs. (i.e. Point A to Point B = 1 leg)
  + Durham: Meeting with Total Smiles week of 10/1/2019. Currently figuring out dental referral process.
  + Meeting about dental care for PLWH and testing in dental clinics
    - 8 people have been chosen: 4 people under 25 yo/Dx within last 12 months, 1 person under 25/ Dx anytime, 1 person Dx within last 12 months/any age, 1 person made 1 visit every 6 months for 2 years/VL suppressed/Highest CD4 <200, 1 person with HIV/Diabetes cohort
* HOPWA Network
  + Duke (not present)
  + Durham: No PHP funds, few TBRA vouchers remaining
  + Wake: 46 clients on TBRA, filling 5 more, some funds for PHP. STRMU started in July & August
  + Housing update (TEC, ACRA, and CAARE)
    - TEC/ACRA-not present/RW spaces are full
    - CAARE- all Ryan White spaces are full/space available for those who can pay
* Prevention Updates (Hailey Stout)
  + SAC – Recommendation from SAC Proposal Committee and Funding Vote
    - SAMHSA funding for SAC is no longer available. Gap funding provided by State (NC) will end on May 31st (same amount as before). Number of targets have been reduced.
    - CAARE, Inc. and Wake Co. submitted proposals. CAARE received $85k to provide services from Oct. 2019 to May 2020. Wake Co. will receive $26k to provide services from Oct. 2019 to May 2020.
    - All funding must be spent on SAC services in the region. Over achieving targets in welcome.
    - Parliamentarian called for motion. 1st Motion called by Larry Parteé (CAARE, Inc.) and 2nd Motion called by Wanda Henderson (Warren-Vance Co. Health Dept.) for recommendations to be accepted. Motion passed.
* State Updates (State Care and/or Prevention Reps)
* PrEP campaign started on Friday, Sept. 20th through end of May 2020. Original PrEP campaign site visits increased once campaign ended. Resource directory is starting point for people.
* Used apps such as Scuff, Jack’d, Adam for Adam-Wake Co. zip codes are being used. (Johnston Co./Lee Co. coming soon)
* Eric Davis, NC DHHS.-Evaluation Web: Data from Jan.1st-Jun. 30th should be entered into system by Monday, Sept. 30th. System will be down started Oct. 31st until spring 2020.
  + SAC-testing being done in Substance Abuse Facilities, Halfway Houses and any place where people have specific risk factors. Making use of all SAC funds has been reiterated.
  + Welcome!! Kenneth Friedman is the new NC State PrEP Coordinator-works in 6 regions regarding PrEP and doing Capacity Building.
  + Small pot money for conferences!! Has to be spent by Dec. 31st. Biomedical Conf. in Houston, TX (Dec. 3rd-4th)
* “No one can whistle a symphony, it takes an orchestra...”
* Open Comment
  + Duke: Style 2.0 Study launching. Care Prevention for young MSM 18-35 who are HIV+ in Raleigh/Durham/Chapel Hill. App and online portion for study. CLEAR training is offered.
  + CAARE/Durham Co. Health Dept: Huge testing event at Beauty World on Avondale Drive Oct. 4th &5th. PrEP info, 14 exhibitors, HIV/STI screening, Diabetes,
  + Durham Co. HD: 200+ people were tested at the Men’s Health Initiative event. Would like for paperwork for processing to be more streamlined. New Position for Ending the HIV Epidemic.
  + CAARE name changed to CAARE the Healing Center. New position: Consumer Rep. Curtis Booker, works with HIV+ patients with housing, clothing & social service needs. New Exec. Dir. Dr. Harvey Hinton as of July 1st.
  + WCHS: Won award from NCAAN for great HIV work and working with legislation to educate them. Award will be presented in Charlotte later this year.

Upcoming Meetings (to begin at 1:30 p.m.)

* November 14th – Advance Community Health, 1011 Rock Quarry Rd. Raleigh