

**Central Florida HIV Planning Council**  
**Ryan White Community Meeting Minutes**

*August 18, 2026*

**Call to Order:** The Co-Chair, Jessica Seidita called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM at Second Harvest Food Bank located at 411 Mercy Drive, Orlando FL, 32805.

**Participants:** Iradarnell Westbrook, Jessica Seidita, Paolo Mancini, Vel Cline, Tim Collins, Raymond Macon, Charlie Wright, Andre Antenor, AJ Johnson, La'Shonna Ferguson, Deane Austin, Jerome Brown, Vita Brown, Robert Shafer, John Curry, Mark Kern, Wayne Johnson, Rene Cotto-Lewis, Nathaniel Bell Jr., Brenda Reed, Yissel Hernandez, Mileidy Castillo, Jesus Valero, Lameisha Kaigler, Tashaun Warney, Derrick Price, JC Hennessy, Jenifer Rivera, Ruthie Whithers, Troy Laudermilch

**Present via Teleconference:** Alelia Munroe, Anthony McNeil, Jordan Cipriano

**PCS Staff Present:** Whitney Marshall, Laura Perez, Dedrah Mathis

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| <b>Approval of the agenda:</b>            | <p>The committee reviewed the meeting agenda and recommended the following changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Replace Jessica Seidita for Raymond Macon as presenter of the Membership &amp; Engagement Report</li><li>• Replace Iradarnell Westbrook for Paolo Mancini as presenter of the SSPQ Report</li></ul> <p><b>Motion:</b> Tim Collins made a motion to accept the agenda with the recommended changes. Vel Cline seconded the motion. The motion was adopted unanimously without debate.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Approval of the July 21 minutes:</b>   | <p>The committee reviewed the July 21 minutes and approved them as presented.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Open the floor for public comment:</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• There were no public comments in the room or online.</li><li>• PCS did not receive any comment cards.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Reports:</b>                           | <p><b>Membership &amp; Engagement Committee</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The committee continued planning discussions for this year's World AIDS Day event, deciding on an event venue pending a visit to the location.</li><li>• The committee reviewed the Planning Council membership matrix and reflectiveness data. Currently, there are 23 Planning Council members, 52% are PWH, 30% are unaffiliated/unaligned PWH, and 35% are conflicted members. The council currently has two open mandated seats:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Representatives of/ or Formerly Incarcerated People with HIV</li><li>○ Hospital Planning Agency or Healthcare Planning Agency</li></ul></li></ul> |

- The committee reviewed the social media performance insights for Facebook and Instagram since the committee last met.
- The committee received a reminder about Annual Committee Reports and were encouraged to submit anything they wish to include in the report to PCS so it can be forwarded to the committee chairs.
- The committee reviewed and voted to affirm the eligibility of members up for reappointment, as well as the eligibility of nominees for Jr. Co-Chair and committee leadership.
- The committee voted on the winners of the two Member of the Year Awards.
- The committee reviewed and approved the proposed agenda for the September Annual Training.
- After discussion, the committee voted to approve a new workplan and committee schedule.
- The next Membership & Engagement Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 10th, 2026, at 2:00 PM, location to be announced.

#### **Service Systems Planning & Quality Committee**

- The committee received an overview of the Part A, Part B, and GR Monthly Expenditure reports and the PCS Quarterly Expenditure report.
- The committee received an overview of the final report on the Assessment of the Administrative Mechanism done by the consultant from The AIDS Institute.
- The committee reviewed a draft of the Annual Committee report and provided recommendations to the committee chair for additional content.
- The committee voted to approve recommended updates to the Data Presentation Process, Priority Setting Process, and Resource Allocation Process.
- The committee voted to approve the initial Resource Allocation funding slates for Fiscal Year 2027-2028 for Part B and GR with recommended updates.
- After much discussion, the committee voted to approve the initial Resource Allocation funding slate for Fiscal Year 2027-2028 for Part A with a recommendation to reallocate funds from Outpatient Ambulatory Health Services into Health Insurance Premium & Cost-Sharing Assistance.
- The committee began discussing a new workplan and meeting schedule and will continue discussion at their first meeting of the new Planning Cycle in October.
- The next Service Systems Planning & Quality Committee meeting will be held in October 2026, exact date and meeting location to be announced.

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| <p><b>New Business:</b></p>  | <p><b>CFHPC Membership Spotlight</b></p> <p>Laura Perez gave a presentation on the overview of the Central Florida HIV Planning Council, which included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information about the council, responsibilities, individual committees and meetings, membership, application process</li> <li>• Committee members of Membership &amp; Engagement and Service Systems Planning &amp; Quality (SSPQ) Committee shared their personal experiences.</li> </ul> <p><b>Sober Living Best Practices</b></p> <p>John Curry, CEO of Safe Place Treatment Services (S.P.T.S., Corp.) gave a presentation on the topic, <b>Sober Living Best Practices</b>. He provided information regarding the prevalence of substance use disorders (SUDs) among PWH and the clinical approaches of the S.P.T.S. program. Robert, program support of S.P.T.S., Corp shared the services offered by the program. The representatives also went over the pros and cons associated with sober living housing, including practical steps for the program participants to move forward. Attendees engaged in discussion with the S.P.T.S representatives.</p> |
| <p><b>Announcements:</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hurricane Preparation Event – Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup></li> <li>• Engaging Kare Gospel Fest – Sept. 26<sup>th</sup></li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

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| <b>Next Meeting:</b> | October 20, 2026 |
| <b>Adjournment:</b>  | 8:02pm           |

Prepared by: Dedrah Mathis Date: 8/31/2026

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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