

Health Care for the Homeless (HCHN) Governance Council

August 19, 2024, 4:15pm-6:15pm

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Agenda

*GC Chair: Zsa Zsa Floyd
GC Vice-Chair: Maria Arns*

Topic	Person	Time	Purpose	Materials
CALL TO ORDER 1. Welcome & Introductions 2. Minutes <i>Action: review and approve</i>	Zsa Zsa Floyd, Maria Arns	4:15		- HCHN GC Minutes_071524
PUBLIC COMMENT	All			
RACIAL EQUITY MOMENTS	All			
PRIORITY ITEMS 1. 2025-2027 HRSA Service Area Competition/Budget & Additional HRSA Funding Submissions <i>Action: review and approve</i>	Bahareh Zebarjad, Denise Hawthorne, Jessica Knaster Wasse	4:45	Inform, Discuss, Approve	- 2025-2027 HRSA Grant SAC Plan - HRSA FY2024 Grant Applications - 2024 Nominees - Skills Experience Chart 081924 - Board Skills Experience Chart_GC members 081924 - [Application Packets]
2. GC Membership/Vacancies <i>Action: review and approve</i>	Rekha Ravindran			
REGULAR AGENDA AND BOARD PROCESS 1. HCHN Committee Updates and Actions a. Behavioral Health Workgroup – 9/10	Amanda Richer	5:45	Inform, Discuss	
b. Community Advisory Group – 9/4	Kristina Sawyckyj, Zsa Zsa Floyd			

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c. Executive Committee – 9/11	Zsa Zsa Floyd, Maria Arns			
d. DEI & Racial Justice Workgroup – 8/20	Amanda Richer, Zsa Zsa Floyd			
2. HCHN Admin Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Refugee/Immigrant Work Updates b. Communicable Disease Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. COVID c. Other Updates 	Denise Hawthorne			
3. Open Forum	All			
ADJOURN		6:15		

NEXT MEETING: Monday, September 16, 2024, 4:15pm-6:15pm (Zoom Meeting)

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HCHN Governance Council Members

- Amanda Richer, Consumer Representative
- Anita Souza, PhD, MA, UW School of Nursing
- Benjamin Miksch, Advocates for Human Potential
- Charese Jones, Neighborcare Health
- Dean Frazier, Molina Healthcare
- Debbie Adams, LMSW, Mercy Housing
- Giovanni Righi, UCLA, PhD Candidate
- Jeff Sakuma, City of Seattle Human Services Department
- Julissa Sanchez, CHOOSE 180
- Kristina Sawyckyj, Consumer Representative
- LaMont Green, DSW, LSWAIC, Lived Experience Coalition
- Leslie Enzian, MD, HMC Medical Respite Program
- Maria Arns, Consumer Representative
- Patricia Dehart, Consumer Representative
- Samhita Korukonda, Student
- Someireh Amirfaiz, Ed.D. MHP, Executive Director, New Americans Alliance for Policy and Research
- Zsa Zsa Floyd, Consumer Representative

MINUTES

Monday, August 19, 2024

Zoom Meeting

Council Members Present: Amanda Richer, Anita Souza, Debbie Adams, Giovanni Righi, Jeff Sakuma, Kristina Sawyckyj, LaMont Green, Leslie Enzian, Maria Arns, Someireh Amirfaiz, Zsa Zsa Floyd

Council Members Absent: Benjamin Miksch, Charese Jones, Dean Frazier, Julissa Sanchez, Patricia Dehart, Samhita Korukonda

Public Health Staff Present: Denise Hawthorne, Jennell Hicks, Meg Chambers, Rekha Ravindran

CALL TO ORDER

1. Welcome & Introductions

Zsa Zsa Floyd welcomed attendees, including members of the CAG, to the meeting of the HCHN Governance Council (GC). Full quorum present.

2. Minutes

GC members reviewed the minutes from the 7/15 meeting. Someireh Amirfaiz made motion to approve the minutes, Maria Arns seconded; vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no updates.

RACIAL EQUITY MOMENTS

Harold Odom shared his thoughts on equity as an ongoing practice.

PRIORITY ITEMS

1. 2025-2027 HRSA Service Area Competition/Budget & Additional HRSA Funding Submissions

Bahareh Zebarjad, HCHN Finance Manager, joined to present HCHN's submission and proposed budget for HRSA's 2025-2027 Service Area Competition (SAC), for the GC's formal approval. This is the 330h grant which provides Public Health's FQHC status. PowerPoint is attached.

Attendees asked questions about the contracting process with new agencies as it relates to the budget, changes in funding, and impact of patient generated revenue.

Kristina Sawyckyj made motion to approve the proposed 2025-2027 HRSA Service Area Competition submission and budget (Scope of Project Spending Plan), LaMont Green seconded; vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Denise Hawthorne, HCHN Operations Manager, provided more details on HCHN's submissions to additional HRSA grant opportunities, for the GC's formal approval. She shared background information on each of the grants, how it related to GC priorities, and the proposed budgets. PowerPoint is attached.

Amanda Richer made motion to approve the proposed HRSA funding submissions, Debbie Adams seconded; vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

2. *GC Membership/Vacancies*

Rekha shared that the EC reviewed all 15 applications for the 11 open slots. One seat is reserved for the individual appointed by the King County Community Health Center Council (Brandy Taylor) and one seat is reserved for an individual representing North King County (Kristina Sawyckyj) to assure geographic diversity.

The EC shared initial thoughts for consideration. The GC discussed the candidates and came to consensus on the following people for the remaining slots:

- Amanda Richer, Community Advocate
- Anita Souza, MA, PhD, University of Washington School of Nursing
- Charese Jones, Neighborcare Health
- Christopher Archiopoli, LEAD with Purpose. Dignity. Action (PDA)
- Gail Emanuel, Community Advocate
- Shubham Bansal, Student
- Someireh Amirfaiz, Ed.D. MHP, New Americans Alliance for Policy and Research
- Wendwesen Lemma, MD, Pacific Medical Specialty Group LLC
- Zsa Zsa Floyd, Community Advocate

LaMont made motion to approve the membership slate, Zsa Zsa Floyd seconded; vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Attendees expressed appreciation to the current members who are not continuing on the GC.

REGULAR AGENDA AND BOARD PROCESS

1. *HCHN Committee Updates and Actions*

a. *Behavioral Health Workgroup – 9/10*

Amanda said Public Health’s Jail Health Services (JHS) joined to share more about their work. She said attendees discussed the need for additional funding for JHS services, including expanding supports for clients post-release.

b. *Community Advisory Group – 9/4*

Kristina said attendees developed guiding principles for presenters, and are continuing discussions on gun violence, led by Harold.

c. *Executive Committee – 9/11*

Rekha said that attendees previewed the presentations on the SAC budget and additional HRSA funding opportunities. She said they also had a robust discussion on the nominees to the GC.

d. *DEI & Racial Justice Workgroup – 8/20*

Amanda said attendees shared and discussed resources related to equity and racial justice.

2. *HCHN Admin Update*

a. *Refugee/Immigrant Work Updates*

There were no other updates.

b. *Communicable Disease Updates*

i. *COVID*

There were no updates.

c. *Other Updates*

Denise said that the Street Medicine Team is hiring; two nurses will start this month, and there are currently openings for an ARNP and a social services position.

She shared that King County’s local behavioral health sales tax (MIDD) is up for renewal and invited all who are interested to join upcoming [listening sessions](#).

LaMont highlighted the [National Coalition for the Homeless \(NCH\) 2024 National Lived Experience Leadership Conference](#) on November 11-13 in San Jose, CA. He noted there are scholarships available for people with lived experience to cover all expenses.

Kristina shared information about the [New Americans Alliance for Policy and Research \(NAAPR\) Refugee Community Building Conference](#) on September 27 and noted that registration is [open](#).

3. *Open Forum*

There were no other updates.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

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