

**HIV Planning Group Meeting Minutes**  
 Park Inn Mechanicsburg  
 5401 Carlisle Pike, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050  
 May 11<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016

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1. Individuals giving a formal report or specific announcement
2. Individuals requesting to be noted “for the record”
3. Policy and procedure decisions
4. Motions/votes
5. Recognitions, thanks, etc.

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<b>Topic/Discussion</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b><u>Call to Order.</u></b> Co-Chair Daiquiri Robinson called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM	Meeting commenced at 9:02 AM
<p><b><u>Introductions.</u></b> HPG Members, staff, and guests introduced themselves.</p> <p>Members present: Wesley Anderson, Jr., Aaron Arnold, Jeanne Caldwell, Melissa Davis, Angel Ferris, Chris Garnett, Jeffrey Haskins, Mike Hellman, Lou Ann Masden, Shannon McElroy, Brianna Morgan, Daiquiri Robinson, Tamara Robinson, Gregory Seaney-Ariano, Grace Shu, Pamela Smith, Richard Smith, Robert Smith, Ann Stuart Thacker, Nathan Townsend, Ja’Nae Taylor, and Wayne Williams.</p> <p>[Members absent: DeJa Alvarez, Jazmine Brockington, Principe Castro, Sharita Flaherty, Linda Frank, Kathleen Dougherty, Daniel Harris, Tony Strobel, Paul Yabor]</p> <p>Guests: Jeff Funston, Joe Malatesta, John Collins, Sean DeYoung, Kim Thomas, Robert Nobles, Leah Maganotti, Julia Och, Christina Farmartino, Shirley Murphy, Rob McKenna, Susan Rubinstein, Susan Thompson, Marilyn Blasingame</p> <p>Dept. of Health staff: Lana Adams, Sara Luby, Lisa Petrascu, Jill Garland, Julia Montgomery, MariJane Salem-Knoll, Charlie Howsare, Kyle Fait, Cheryl Henne, Christine Quimby, John Haines, Godwin Obiri, Diane Kennedy, Robin Rothermel.</p> <p>University of Pittsburgh staff: Daniel Hinkson, Anthony Silvestre, Brian Adams, Luis Archilla.</p>	
<p><b><u>Announcements:</u></b></p> <p>Jill Garland and Daiquiri are serving as Co-Chairs today.</p> <p>Jill Garland: Sharita Flaherty is absent due to health related issues.</p> <p>Julia Montgomery- Joe Malatesta new to care section, program analyst. He assures that the RW Part B requirements are met. Monitoring this September at the State</p>	

<p>level. Focus for the visit is the development of policies. John Collins, new PO, in our region.</p> <p>Charles: Hepatitis C coordinator. Have had 3 seminars so far. Coming to Erie August 17<sup>th</sup>. Purpose of the trainings is to get ahead of the HCV epidemic, teach harm reduction and provide a Certification. Link on community liver alliance for training information.</p> <p>Tony Silvestre: Brian Adams from SILK project is here today. David and Sarah are absent as both families are with child and due soon.</p> <p>Jill Garland: Dr. Silvestre was honored by the House of Representatives with the 2016 Kerry Stoner Award. Dr. Shu has a copy of that acknowledgment that was read today.</p> <p>Framework for the Peer Navigator Model is completed. Next Steps: Forward to the DOH for review. The recommendation is to adopt this framework. The next step is to verify with state certification board to see if there is a certification/training for an individual who would fill the positions. Lou Ann stated that NY State may have certifications. Sara Luby will reach out to see what the opportunities are.</p>	
<p><b><u>Subcommittee Meetings:</u></b></p> <p>Orientation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Subcommittees Meet</li> </ul> <p>[Lunch]</p> <p><b><u>Open Door Presentation</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Christina Farmartino presenting</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Plan Update- Executive Summary (Reading level adjustments.)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Tony Silvestre presenting</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Rules of Respectful Engagement</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Tony Silvestre presenting</li> </ul>	
<p><b><u>Adjournment</u></b></p> <p>Co-Chair Daiquiri adjourned the meeting for the day</p>	<p>Meeting was adjourned at 3:45pm.</p>

<b>DAY 2</b>	
<b><u>Call to Order.</u></b> Co-Chair Jill Garland called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM	Meeting commenced at 9:02 AM
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<p><b><u>Announcements:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>SPBP:</u></b> Revised application going live after approval. June is the target month. More streamline, posted on the website and can type and save the form. Not yet able to submit electronically. HCV pilots, 32 patients are in treatment and the cost was 1 million dollars. 8-9 patients will be completing treatment soon. There will be meetings with each of the regions to discuss funding opportunities.</p> <p><b><u>RW Care:</u></b> John Collins new PO with NW, NC and Philadelphia. Joe Malatesta is the new analysts. We are in process of gathering information from regions to submit report in June.</p>	
<p><b><u>Approval of the Minutes of the March HPG Meeting.</u></b> Co-Chair Daiquiri asked for approval of the minutes.</p>	With no corrections, the minutes stand approved.
<p><b><u>HRSA Regional Office Overview</u></b> Rob MaKenna, Presenting</p>	The presentation was accepted.
<p><b><u>Lunch.</u></b></p>	

<p><b><u>Health Literacy Presentation</u></b> Nathan Townsend, Presenting</p>	<p>The presentation was accepted.</p>
<p><b><u>AIDS Free Pittsburgh Overview</u></b> Julia Och</p>	<p>The presentation was accepted.</p>
<p><b><u>Subcommittee Roundtable Discussion and wrap-up</u></b> The subcommittees discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Homelessness being the main concern among young MSM population.</li> <li>• Discussed Project SILK and similar projects in other areas.</li> <li>• Substance abuse and mental health issues and support in the HIV setting</li> </ul>	<p>The presentation was accepted.</p>
<p><b><u>Adjournment</u></b> With no further business, Co-Chair Jill Garland adjourned the meeting.</p>	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 pm. Steering committee meeting to follow.</p>