




COMMUNITY FORUM: Ryan White CARE Act Title I Services

Overview

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- Forum Goals: Community Input
 - Ryan White Care Act – Title I
 - The HIV Planning Council: Planning for HIV/AIDS Services
 - The Title I Program in New York City
 - HIV/AIDS in New York City
 - Policy Issues
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Goals of Community Forums

- Educate community on role in planning for HIV/AIDS services
 - Get input from consumers, providers, community on needs for Title I HIV/AIDS services
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Ryan White Care Act

(Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency Act)

- Enacted by Congress in 1990 and reauthorized in 1996 and 2000
 - The CARE Act will be considered for reauthorization by Congress in 2005
 - Awarded to Eligible Metropolitan Areas (EMA)
 - The CARE Act pays for development of systems of care and for services to PLWH
 - Has 5 major parts called Titles
 - The Planning Council prioritizes Title I funds only
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Ryan White Titles


- **Title I:** Funding to eligible metropolitan areas hardest hit by the HIV/AIDS epidemic.
- **Title II:** Pays for ADAP, Administered by NYSDOH AIDS Institute (AI), and Emerging Communities
- **Title III:** Early intervention. Administered by HRSA
- **Title IV:** Maternal and pediatric. Administered by HRSA
- **Part F:** Special Needs Projects, demonstration projects. Administered by HRSA
 - ⇒ AIDS Education and Training Centers (AETC)
 - ⇒ Dental Reimbursement Program

Title I Funds

- Awarded to 51 Eligible Metropolitan Areas (EMA)
- Funds can be used for outpatient health and support services, comprehensive treatment services and case management
 - ⇒ Medical, Dental Care and Medications
 - ⇒ Mental Health Services
 - ⇒ Home Health Care
 - ⇒ Transportation
- Title I funds cannot be used to pay for services covered by another funding source (i.e. Medicaid, private health ins., in-patient care, etc.)
- In FY 2005 New York EMA received \$117.9 million in Title I funds (an increase of \$18.2 over FY 2003)



HIV Health and Human Planning Council of New York

- Sets Priorities for Title I services in the EMA
 - Sets binding allocation of Title I service dollars
 - Assesses the efficiency of the administrative mechanism
 - Develops a comprehensive (strategic) plan
 - Assures community participation
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Committees


⇒ COMMITTEES:

- ⇒ Executive
- ⇒ Consumers
- ⇒ Needs Assessment
- ⇒ Priority Setting and Resources Allocation
- ⇒ Rules and Membership
- ⇒ Finance
- ⇒ Policy
- ⇒ Integration of Care
 - ⇒ Access to Care
 - ⇒ Maintenance in Care

⇒ PLWHA Advisory Group



PLWHA Advisory Group

- **Mission:** to advocate for the interest and needs of people living with HIV/AIDS in the planning and evaluation of Title I services, and to ensure the empowerment and participation of people living with HIV/AIDS in the Title I planning process. The Advisory Group may in addition, advocate for NON-Title I HIV/AIDS issues.
 - **Participation:** All persons living with HIV or AIDS (PLWH), or the parents/guardians of minors living with HIV or AIDS
 - **Meetings:** Full meetings once per month on second Saturday
 - **Sub-committees:** Title I Issues (“Internal”), Non-Title I HIV Issues (“External”)
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Title I Program in New York City

- About 80,000 Clients Enrolled (not unduplicated)
 - ~155 Providers
 - ~305 Programs
 - ~28 service categories
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Policy Issues


- FY 2005 NY EMA Title I Award
 - Appropriations for Ryan White
 - Reauthorization of the Ryan White CARE Act
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Ryan White Appropriations

- With exception of Title II/ADAP, most titles of the CARE Act have been virtually flat-funded over past few years
- Title I most likely flat-funded for FY '05
- Challenge will be to get increased appropriations for CARE Act
- Continue to work closely with national advocacy partners



Reauthorization of Ryan White CARE Act


- Ryan White CARE Act sunsets September 30, 2005 – Congressional action needed to extend life of CARE Act
 - Discussions now taking place at AIDS organizations, federal agencies, and White House on what a reauthorized Act should look like
 - Community advocacy will be key to reauthorization effort
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HIV Planning Council Website

WWW.NYHIV.ORG

Information available:

- Data (epidemiological, CHAIN, etc.)
 - Calendar of events and other Council info
 - Links to additional resources
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