

Minutes

Attendance: Steve Hoke, Mary Sirmons, Renella Mitchell, Eric Martinez, Dawn Jones, Carly Pyle, Danielle Stevens, Jackie Clarke, Deborah McCray, Monica Adelphonse

Evaluation Quality Assurance Committee Meeting

Facilitator: Steve Hoke

Date: 2/11/21

Time: 11:00 AM

Location: Virtual via
GoToMeeting

**Due to the COVID 19
Pandemic we will not
have face to face
meetings until further
notice.**

Monica Adelphonse
Health Planner

1. **Welcome/Introductions & Moment of Silence**
2. **Review and approval of agenda:** Agenda approved
3. **Review and approval meeting minutes:** Minutes Approved
4. **Updates**

A. Formulary Planning Meeting

Dawn: The statewide formulary has not been approved yet. As soon as it is available, it will be sent to the HAPCs and I will share it.

B. Quality Assurance Plan/Indicators

Dawn: Danyelle Sheffield is still pulled for COVID duties. It is still being worked on. The state is in the process of sending the annual slide set and usually those would include some information about the quality indicators. I will send those once available.

C. Other Updates

Dawn: Yes, when Jana was speaking about the COVID vaccines happening in the churches, I wanted to elaborate as to why it's happening the way it is. I was listening to the town hall meetings and the statistics were alarming. Of the 33,000 vaccines given in St. Lucie County, only 1,000 individuals from the Black community received the COVID vaccine. And that tells me that, not only is that disparity, but there's access issues, and we know, from HIV work, that we have always encounter access issues. This is a horrible disparity for our Black and Brown communities.

Steve: Well, the thing is so many people do not have a computer. Some older folks sometimes do not understand the computer. Whole Family has a list of people who do have a computer or are 75 or older are being called to set an appointment.

Eric: I had shared this with some members some time ago that as an example, in New York City, in the South Bronx, they actually have figured out that close to 53% of those who received the vaccine were white and 31% were Black and Brown. Even though the population in that area is majority Black and Brown. So, if you're seeing it in larger areas, then it's definitely happening in smaller areas.

Carly: I am happy to save 20-40 slots for people who may need access to the vaccine. If they fall under the Executive order criteria i.e. 65 and older, then we will see them. Healthcare workers and First responders are being seen as a limited basis.

5. Open Discussion

None at this time.

Meeting Adjourned