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Minutes

Attendance: Mary Sirmons, Renella Mitchell, Dawn Jones, Myra Howie, Deborah McCray, Monica Adelphonse, Emily Carmichael

**Planning
Committee Meeting**

Facilitator: Mary Sirmons

Date: 8/16/21

Time: 12:45 PM

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 and meeting minutes:** Agenda and Minutes approved

**3. Updates**

**A. Integrated Workplan**

 **- Test & Treat, PrEP, PEP**

Dawn: Since we haven't had a meeting, for a while, I'll start with May.

Indian River County: In May they had Test and Treat- 1 , 2 previous, 0 Prep and Pep and 10 HIV Tests. For June, 2 new Test and treat, 1 previous, 3 new PrEP, and on National Testing Day, they had 4 test. In July, they had Test and Treat- 2 , 4 previous, 3 Prep.

Martin County: In May they had Test and Treat- 2 , 2 previous, 1 Prep. For June, 0 new Test and treat, 2 new PrEP and 1 PEP, on National Testing Day, they had 11 tests and 1 STD screening. I do not have any July data and once I do I will share it with you.

St. Lucie County: In May they had Test and Treat- 1 , 2 previous, 0 Prep and Pep,1 new linkage, and 30 STD tests. For June, 1 new Test and treat, 1 previous, 3 new PrEP and 1 PEP, and on National Testing Day, they had 158 HIV tests and 38 STD tests and separately from STD test, they had 51 syphilis screen and 25 Hep C tests. In July, they had Test and Treat- 5 , 6 previous, 3 Prep, 47 HIV test, 28 syphilis, and 56 gonorrhea and chlamydia.

Okeechobee: For July 6, HIV tests and 6 Hep. C screenings.

Dawn: Myra, are you my contact person for reporting for Florida Community Health Center?

Myra: Yes, and do you want information like the way you just reported?

Dawn: Yes, and I will get with you to get that information.

Deborah: I will send Project Response numbers also.

Dawn: There may be possible merging of care and prevention for the workplan. Once, I get more information, I will let everyone know.

**B. Needs Assessment**

Dawn: The timeline for roll-out is for January. I will be having a conversation with Brandy to see if it is possible to have it rolled-out earlier.

Mary: Will there need to be community engagement with the Needs Assessment?

Dawn: Yes, but most likely it will be done online.

 **D. HIV Prevention Activities**

Mary: Juneteenth was a success. We have a list of people that we will invite them to our meeting. I also met with a sorority and told her a new video about HIV 101 is coming out. So I want to set up a meeting to present this information.

Myra: The Lincoln Heights event was cancelled and so did not happen. Every Wed. we have been at Pastor’s Hazel’s location doing testing and vaccines. We have seen an increase in COVID testing, 50-100 tests, in the Fort Pierce Location. Pastor Hazel is the one who is doing HIV testing. We also have 11 people we have prescribed PrEP too, but only 3 people are adherent to their PrEP care.

Mary: Myra, are you part of a needle exchange program?

Myra: No, we are not part of a needle exchange program and do not provide those services. But we are partnering with a group in Pahokee that does needle-exchange.

Dawn: I will see if I can get an update where St. Lucie County is with deciding with a needle-exchange program.

Deborah: Project Response is not doing any outreach due to COVID.

**4. Open Discussion**

None discussed at this time.

**Meeting Adjourned**