



Evaluation Quality Assurance & Planning Committee Meeting

June 12, 2025 | 11:00 AM | Teleconference

Facilitator(s): Jackie Clarke & Sandra Rangel | Host: Tiffany Canate, Sr. Health Planner

Attendees: Rashiemah Birks, Saundra Rangel, Yenichel Ruan, April A. Ganzy, Miranda Talley, Channel Bonner, Eric Martinez, Richard Santiago, Edwin Torres, Islande Chery, Tiffany Canate (HCSEF), Emily Carmichael (HCSEF)

Excused Absences: Natasha Ramalgan, Jackie Clarke, Carrie Hollinger

Minutes

1. Welcome & Roll Call

- S. Rangel called the meeting to order at 11:02 AM and welcomed the group. T. Canate conducted roll call.

2. Moment of Silence

- S. Rangel led a moment of silence.

3. Evaluation Quality Assurance Updates led by Saundra Rangel

- Review and approval of EQA Committee agenda and meeting minutes
 - E. Torres motioned to approve the EQA agenda and meeting minutes, and C. Bonner seconded.
- Quality Assurance Plan/Indicators
 - C. Bonner reported on C. Hollinger's behalf. C. Bonner announced that DOH-St. Lucie has a Clinical Quality Measure (CQM) meeting with Tallahassee scheduled for July.
 - C. Bonner shared that DOH-St. Lucie is working on the new iteration of the Quality Assurance and Improvement plan. She affirmed that the previous report is under review for dissemination.
- Linkage to Care
 - T. Canate screen shared a summary report that Y. Ruan created.
 - Y. Ruan shared May 2025 data:
 - 8 new diagnoses: 8 individuals were linked to care, and one previously diagnosed individual refused care. Among these, all individuals were diagnosed in St. Lucie County.
 - 29 previously diagnosed individuals: 26 individuals were retained in care, and 3 individuals were re-engaged.
 - Additionally, of the previously diagnosed individuals, 26 had a positive HIV status, 11 had AIDS, and 16 had suppressed viral loads.
- Other Updates
 - S. Rangel opened floor to additional updates, none were shared.

4. Planning Updates led by Saundra Rangel

- Review and approval of Planning agenda and meeting minutes

- E. Torres motioned to approve the Planning Committee agenda and meeting minutes, and C. Bonner seconded.
- Needs Assessment
 - T. Canate shared there were no new updates about the Needs Assessment from the Florida Comprehensive Planning Network. She noted that the FCPN Needs Assessment Committee has recommended that local areas await further guidance before moving ahead with local HIV/AIDS Needs Assessments.
- Activity Tracker
 - C. Bonner reported the following updates:
 - Test & Treat – 10 new clients, 14 previous returning
 - PrEP – 6 new clients, 10 returning
 - nPEP - 2 clients
 - 395 STD tests, 371 HIV tests administered
- HIV Prevention Activities
 - I. Cherry reported a series of updates on behalf of DOH-St. Lucie:
 1. On May 30, 2025, DOH-St. Lucie had 16 clients at their monthly after-hours event
 2. On June 9, 2025, DOH-St. Lucie educated 20 community members and tested 8 community members at The Source in Vero Beach
 3. On June 11, 2025, DOH-St. Lucie educated 13 community members and tested 9 community members at the UP Center
 - I. Cherry reported upcoming events at which DOH-St. Lucie will have HIV/STI Testing available:
 1. June 19, 2025 at the Riverwalk Center from 12:00 to 4:00 PM
 2. June 27, 2025 for National HIV Testing Day DOH-St. Lucie will be at Pinewood Park across from Dollar Tree from 2:00 to 4:00 PM
 3. Regular after-hours testing through DOH-St. Lucie and DOH-Martin:
 - a. 1st Tuesday of the month from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM - 16401 SW Farm Rd, Indiantown, FL 34956
 - b. 3rd Monday of the month from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM - 3441 SE Willoughby, Stuart, FL 34997
 - c. 4th Friday of the month from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM - 1701 S. 23rd Street Fort Pierce, FL 34950
 4. On July 5, 2025, DOH-St. Lucie will collaborate with a local church for additional outreach and prevention education from 9:00 to 11:00 AM

5. Open Discussion

- C. Bonner asked if the providers have plans for National HIV testing day. E. Torres and M. Talley shared that Midway will be providing testing at the UP Center.

6. Closing and Adjourn

- S. Rangel thanked partners for their time and contributions.
- C. Bonner motioned to adjourn and I. Cherry seconded.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:15 am