**Florida HIV/AIDS Advocacy Network (FHAAN)**

**Monthly Statewide Meeting**

**NOTES and ACTION ITEMS**

Date: Monday – March 5, 2012  
Time: 2:00 p.m. (ET) – 3:00 p.m. (ET)  
**Toll-Free: 888.627.7005, 110097#**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th><strong>Executive Committee Reps</strong></th>
<th><strong>Registrants</strong></th>
<th><strong>Registrants</strong></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Joey Wynn – Co-Chair</td>
<td>Dr. Paul Aarons</td>
<td>John Graham</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Jesse Fry – Co-Chair</td>
<td>Jeff Allen</td>
<td>Bonnie Majcher</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Michael Ruppal – Administrator/Facilitator</td>
<td>Ken Bargar</td>
<td>Laurence Osband</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>David Brakebill</td>
<td>Jeffrey Pope</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Marty Clemmons</td>
<td>Rob Renzi</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Mario Ferri</td>
<td>Craig Reynolds</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Guest Speaker</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tom Liberti, Chief</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bureau of HIV/AIDS</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th><strong>Agenda</strong></th>
<th><strong>Discussion</strong></th>
<th><strong>Plan of Action</strong></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Welcome/Roll Call</td>
<td>Quorum = 33% (11 of 31 required)</td>
<td>68% (21 of 31) = Met</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Quorum Determination</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
| Meeting Guidelines | | • Mute phone when in listen mode. Do not place your phone on hold.  
| | • State your name prior to speaking.  
| | • Abide by our FHAAN Operating Agreement, Process and Code of Conduct. |
| Meeting Minutes Approval | Most Recent Meeting Minutes: FHAAN Statewide Meeting Notes (2012-02-06) | Minutes approved. James Talley motioned to approve. Laurence Osband seconded. |

**Tom Liberti, Chief**  
**Bureau of HIV/AIDS**

**DOH/BoHA Update:**

- Legislative session, reorg bill, other items
- Good news: in the battle of budget, house and senate, there was a breakthrough the senate asked for 5 million in General Revenue, house agreed 2.5 million. Is the senate accepting or are they still negotiating? Waiting on confirmation.
- Rest of the dept GR budget for HIV is not cut during this session
- Have had over 5 million in cuts including hepatitis
- Restoring minority health funding
- Everything is on hold until Friday – close of session.
- Have to wait until bill is signed until everything is confirmed
- Reorganization Bill – Bill has passed the house with over 20 amendments
from original filing, and stuck in the Senate side appropriations committee and released today to go to the floor. Over the next 4 days it will be determined if it lines up with House or passes the bill. Last minute negotiations are going on now.

- Hepatitis Control Act bill has not moved anymore, unfunded - waiting to see what happens, not expected to pass.
- Emergency funds for ADAP - Obama - Dec 1st announcement, DOH has had correspondence with HRSA, not as quickly as anticipated, application process is in the mail, July 1st Award date - emergency funds.
- Part A - receiving 2012 on or around March 1st, gathering the number by all metropolitan areas to determine increases and/or decreases.
- Also, few weeks away from Part B awards.
- AICP wait list was cleared from 2011 grant award - close to 400 patients were brought into application process, some were brought into PCIP. HCSF is doing a cost benefit analysis to determine what can be done on April 1st when grant award is awarded.
- ADAP waitlist: under 800 patients on waitlist. Wipe out waitlist if we get anticipated funds. ADAP Wait list will be fluctuating until we can take everyone off the list.
- PCIP pilot program, the cost is $11K a year, came in high and some changes were made, using the HCSF to examine the cost and benefits to determine effectiveness. Started a slow pilot stage for PCIP – about 20 persons to determine what type of expansion can be done in April 2012.
- Are the plans comprehensive? Are they looking at those other issues?
- Special thanks were provided to Tom from network members, FHAAN, and The AIDS Institute for his years of leadership and commitment to the fight against HIV/AIDS.
- Surgeon General of Florida resigns his post today.
- Will invite Robert Sandrock to report next month on AICP/PCIP.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Product and Policy Advocacy Committee</th>
<th>Most Recent Meeting Minutes: Advocacy Committee Meeting Notes (2012.02.13)</th>
<th>Next Meeting: Mon, Mar 12, 2-3PM ET 888.627.7005, 110097#</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Jesse Fry &amp; Rick Vitale</td>
<td>Monitoring HIV/AIDS bills and related items.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Jesse and DOH staff are looking through the Governor’s budget and looking for specific advocacy related items for FHAAN.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Continue to educate legislators on information and keeping them posted and constant contact if we have an action item for them or not.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Jesse thanked members for their support and response to the recent bills.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Legislative Session / Bill Tracking</th>
<th>FL DOH Restructuring: HB 1263 - passed in the House and in messages to the Senate; next to look for the senate to put it on the calendar.</th>
<th>FL Senate.gov - top of page, search by bill number, bill text, look for second engrossed version.</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Reinforcement bills have passed - would not hold up end of regular session, but may have to bring them back before special session.</td>
<td>FL DOH Restructuring: HB 1263 amended to decentralize to County. Block grant system would go to Counties, Counties decide on how they spend the funds. Governor Scott is reportedly against this. Does FHAAN have an opinion on this?</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>DOH Reorg Bills:</td>
<td>FHAAN Action on this? – We think this bill will have detrimental effect, with bullets</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• Senate: Sen. Garcia bill made it to last committee then stopped.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• House 1263. My Florida House.gov = last committee stop.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>


stating our case. Joey heard bill is dead, even governor against it. Not all bad about change. If we do it to stay in the process of the long-term political approach, we should connect with Sen. Garcia on approach.

| ADAP | • Reported $5m increase on Senate side, none on House side. Jesse will research this more. ACTION: FHAAN Thank You to Senate leadership, and advocacy action to ask House for at least the same.  
• Delay on where to put $35m due to finalizing plan, with plan to be implemented before July due date.  
ADAP Increase: 
Rep. Hudson, leader on budget – Health Committee  
This Wednesday, Jesse will prepare FHAAN 2nd send. Ted to include letter, with “the heat is on, we need your help to push this over the top”, and paste in body of email the actual letter to reps. Also include a reminder to forward to your friends. |

| AICP | May be level funded. |

| Advocate for patient choice (mail order pharmacies) | PCIP Rx requires 3 month direct-mail pharmacy. Medicare Part D has Pharmacy option.  
Jesse to develop to bullet-points in their committee to share with FHAAN membership.  
• Mail Pharmacy Services; One consumer’s experience recently:  
- Poor packaging (loose, no ice)  
- Mail rebate they said was never received  
- Debit card automatically deducted  
- Had to fight for full 90 day supply  
- 4 customer service reps before reaching a pharmacist  

*** Jesse/Rick to act as clearinghouse for consumers with these issues |

| Medicaid Reform | • Medicaid Reform: Keep an eye on for now (formulary protection in FL statute). Won’t affect Medicaid Waiver program.  
• CMS letter to ACHA: Jesse to Ted for posting to FHAAN – rejected 2 amendments, but remainder of Medicaid Reform in process. |

| HIV Criminalization | Keep an eye on the HIV Criminalization issues |

| Additional Committee Focus: | • FHAAN Position Papers: TAI Intern Markham contacting authors to update this month.  
• FHAAN process on taking a position  
• Keep educational approach. Info source for decision makers  
• Media/Press Outreach  
• Work with allies (PCAN, Medicare Rx Access, etc.):  
• Present in dollars & cents (revenue & jobs) to legislators  
• ACA insurance changes: Be prepared  
• Medicare Part D  
• DOH Webinars continue (add prevention). Prevention $ received  
• Needs of Rural/North Florida (NFL/Rural FHAAN subcommittee)*  
• Privatization impact in Florida Sunshine Law |

| Old Business: | • Jesse and Rick to get representation from all areas in this committee and on calls.  
• Rick and Jesse continue to seek participation on the Advocacy Committee by at least one member of each Ryan White Consortium and Planning Council.  
• Invite Marlene onto next month’s call. |
### New Business

Committee name update to “FHAAN Advocacy Committee”?  
No objection by committee. **Full membership Approved Name Change**

### Announcements

**Raising Our Voices Summit & Positive Living Conference:**
Raising Our Voices Summit is a pre-conference to our local Positive Living which is hosted by OASIS March 9-11, 2012 at the Ramada Plaza Beach Resort in Ft. Walton Beach, Florida.  
Applications for the Positive Living Conference can be found on the OASIS website at: [http://www.aidsoasis.org/AIDSoasis/Positive_Living_Application_Preference.html](http://www.aidsoasis.org/AIDSoasis/Positive_Living_Application_Preference.html)  

### Membership Committee

**Cathy Robinson-Pickett & Ken Bargar**

**Membership Committee Notes (2012.02.15)**

**Next Meeting:**  
Wed, Mar 21, 10-11 AM ET  
CANCELLED (CAG meeting conflict)

| Membership Status | Full Members: 323. 2012 Goal = 500  
Listserv: 1,300. 2012 Goal = 1,500 |

| Member Recruitment | • Feb 16 Natl. HIV/AIDS Strategy Meeting in Ft Lauderdale: Joey reported about 15 FHAAN members attended, some others wrote down our FHAAN.org URL for more info/possible applicants.  
• Women’s Conference (3/7-8): No one  
• Planning Councils – Cmte co-chairs to send “FHAAN Who We Are” document. Ken to ask who to send it to? Maybe on their next Planning Council next call. Ken to ask in call tomorrow and send them the Who We Are.  
• CBO E.D.s – Michelle’s Intern finalizing  
• Consortia meetings (chairs and to their members): Ken requested via email from Lucretia, Ken will remind her via email. Ken via CAG.  
• Dorothee: SHARP report, help NFL increase participation in FHAAN. We ask her for her list for us to invite. Michael to write-up, Ted to send to her. Pending. Jesse said they are doing a roll-out at PLC. Jesse to send us a draft.  
• Other opportunities: ? |

| Increase Technology Use for Recruitment | Podcast mic and computer to record folks with 1-2 min sound bites about what advocacy means to them and then we could put them together and use them for different events.  
Cathy will.  
• 3/9-11: Positive Living Conference  
• Other opportunities?  
Ted would post to website and send out to help recruitment. |

| Committee Volunteers | Contact all volunteers expressing interest in helping this cmte. To help recruit those they know to become FHAAN members.  
• Layne Kinney volunteered for data entry  
1. Ken and Cathy to create script for volunteers to use when recruiting  
2. Ted to email to all prospective volunteers |
| New Business | Committee Name Change from “Membership” to “Recruitment”. Convening group approved.  
Ken presented to full FHAAN meeting. FHAAN members approved Name Change. |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Announcements | PLC: Butch - Let membership committee know that it is okay to register members during the Positive Living Conference. FHAAN will also have a workshop on Saturday during the conference. If you know of people who plan to attend who have not registered they need to do so ASAP as we are almost full.  
Ted to include in this week’s FHAAN Weekly News Brief.  
Ken to ask Butch to add a FHAAN.org item in program for info/sign-up.  
Michael to consider a poster board with FHAAN info/sign-up. |
| Facebook Recruitment | Use facebook to connect members. Ken to ask Layne Kinney. |

**Focus and Structure Committee**  
Alelia Munroe & James Talley  
(2012.02.21)

Next Meeting:  
Mon, Mar 19, 2-3 PM EDT  
888.627.7005, 110097#  
www.FHAAN.org

Reviewed site, no updates recommended |
|----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| FHAAN News: | Our Committee is asking FHAAN members to review our FHAAN Weekly News for ideas and improvements.  
Reviewed examples, no updates recommended |
| **FHAAN Volunteers** | Cmte co-chair list of interested volunteers.  
- Layne Kinney (data entry)  
- Bob Reynolds (notes) |
| **Regional Sub-Committees, and Chairs:** |  
- North/Rural (James Talley)  
- Central/Metro (Alelia Munroe)  
- South/Major Metro (?) – Nominations  
James and Alelia to set-up call with South FL nominees:  
- John Eaton/Miami - SFAN  
- Kenny Talbot/WPB – HIV Care Council  
- Jason King/Broward – AHF |
| Macy’s has grants available | [www.Macys.com](http://www.Macys.com) / Scholarships and Grants  
Ted to add to these notes and FHAAN News |
| Adobe Connect | Alternative to GoToWebinar:  
Layne Kinney sent Ted demo |
| Streamline Committee Name? | Should we streamline this committee’s name as we have other committees?  
Will take to committee call for discussion. Decision to be reported to full body. |

**Old Business**  
Joey Wynn: Drug Pricing Conference in works for mid-February in DC to review how pricing set. aaa meeting: April 1-3, 2012, in DC.  
Joey will send Ted the link for people to register

**New Business**  
Joey Wynn report on HRSA administrative changes: Part C & D update.
Will report on in the future

Jeff Pope requested a list of membership for FHAAN committees. Michael Ruppal suggested contacting each of the committee co-chairs and asking for a list of participating members.

James Talley asked about the state’s Request for Proposals and any new information on the process. Michael suggested visiting the purchasing website at Florida DOH where the official notifications are distributed. MR to include the link to site for folks to monitor.

Announcements

Next Monthly Statewide Meeting:
**Mon, Apr 2, 2012 @ 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM EDT**
888.627.7005, ID: 110097# (thanks to Mick Sullivan/Janssen)

Our 2012 FHAAN Meetings Schedule:


**FHAAN 2012 Monthly Meetings Schedule:**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Meeting</th>
<th>Day (Monthly)</th>
<th>Time</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>FULL FHAAN</strong></td>
<td>1st Monday</td>
<td>2-3pm (ET)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Committees:**

- **Product & Policy Advocacy** 2nd Monday 2-3pm (ET)
- **Focus & Structure** 3rd Monday 2-3pm (ET)
- **Membership** 3rd Wednesday 10-11am (ET)*
- **Convening Group** 4th Monday 10-11:30am (ET)
  *(Executive Committee and Committee Co-Chairs)*

**Exception:** Federal Holidays
These meetings will be moved to the following work day or week, at the same time. Look for notice of these (and other rare) exceptions in your emailed invitations.

Most meetings are by webinar (via emailed registration) with toll-free conference calls
Conference Calls #s: **888.627.7005, ID: 110097#** (thanks to Mick Sullivan/Janssen)

*Exceptions:
Membership Committee Calls: **888.811.6083, ID: 0268#**
Convening Group Calls: N/A