



# Community Involvement Activities Committee

## MEETING SUMMARY

*The purpose of the CIA is to help bridge the gap between the community and service providers by creating opportunities to involve community members in the planning process. In addition, community members will receive crucial updates on changes in Ryan White and related health/social services.*

**Wednesday, December 18, 2024, from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM**

Video-Conference via Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/86241473770>

Teleconference: (929) 205-6099 / Meeting ID: 862 4147 3770#

**Attendees:** There were 10 attendees at the meeting, and they took part in the Zoom call.

Attendees by County							
Essex	Union	Morris	Sussex	Warren	Unknown	Other	Total
5							

**Support Staff:** Richell Garcia

**Guests:**

**1. Welcome and Moment of Silence**

Poole, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM and welcomed all in attendance. Support Staff supplied a brief overview of the CIA's purpose and goals. A moment of silence was observed for all those living with, those who have passed, and those affected by HIV/AIDS.

**2. Public Testimony**

There were no public testimony.

**3. Approval of the Meeting Summary**

The meeting summary was approved.

**4. Ryan White Part A Updates**

There were no updates.

**5. Old Business**

- Poole mentioned that the planning council is working to approve the Home and Community Based Service Standards. The service standards will assist the aging population. Poole mentioned individuals living with HIV are aging and over 70% of the EMA are age 40 and over.

- Poole mentioned that a representative of RU-N to the TOP provided a presentation at Positive Health on to how go to college or trade school for free or low payments. The program is to the public, not just the HIV community.

## **6. New Business**

### **Consumer input on Topics for 2025**

- Adams-Jarrells recommended topics about aging, long term survivors and their needs. Adams-Jarrells noted an example of her needing two hearing aids, but the insurance co-pay was \$1000 per ear. At that time, she did not receive assistance with the hearing aids for the Ryan Program. Poole mentioned that the planning council is working on approving the Home and Community Based and allocating the funds.
- Abdulwaliyy mentioned about navigating on possible changes from the new administration and funding.
- The consumer participated in telling a story about a holiday experience of not spending money on the holiday. The best stories received a gift card.

## **7. Announcements**

## **8. Next Meeting**

The next CIA meeting will be held on Wednesday January 22, 2024.

## **9. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.