Assessment of the Efficiency of the Administrative Mechanism Minnesota Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention Evaluation of Part A – FY 2022 August 2023

The council is responsible for evaluating how rapidly Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part A funds are allocated and made available for care. The Needs Assessment and Evaluation Committee selected the following objectives to be evaluated by each council member. Review each objective and measurement and use the data in the subrecipient response and recipient response columns to determine if the objective was met. For any objective that you indicate strongly disagree or somewhat disagree, you should also include comments, addressing any strengths, weaknesses, and specific recommendations for improvement. The Needs Assessment and Evaluation Committee encourages members to collaborate to fill out this assessment (i.e., mentors and mentees, subrecipient members and unaligned consumer members).

Glossary

Part A	A federal grant awarded under the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program legislation to hard hit metro areas. Hennepin County Ryan White Program is the grant recipient for
	the 13-county metro area
Part A funds	Federal funds awarded to Hennepin County Ryan White Program to spend in the 13-county metro area ≈\$6 million
Subrecipient	An agency, provider, or nonprofit organization that receives financial assistance from Hennepin County Ryan White Program to carry out a program
Recipient	Hennepin County Ryan White Program
Request for Proposal (RFP)	An open and competitive process for selecting providers of services
HRSA/HAB	Health Resources and Services Administration/HIV-AIDS Bureau of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
FY (fiscal year)	A fiscal year (FY) is a 12-month period that an organization uses to report its finances. We are reviewing the Part A fiscal year from March 1, 2022 – February 28, 2023

	Objective	Measurement	Subrecipient	Recipient Response	This Object	tive was Met	:		Council Member
			Response						Comments
1.	Part A funds are	Hennepin County signs Part	Strongly agree	Hennepin County signed Part A contracts with 13 of the 13 subrecipients	Strongly	Somewhat	Somewhat	Strongly	1 council member
	contracted	A contracts with	(5), Somewhat	within 45 days of the start of the Part A fiscal year. Most contracts (11 of	Agree	Agree	Disagree	Disagree	somewhat
	quickly to	subrecipients within 45 days	agree (2)	13) were signed before the start of the fiscal year; one contract was	20	2	1		disagreed because
	subrecipients.	of the start of the Part A		signed on the first day of the fiscal year; one contract was signed two					"The information
		fiscal year (by April 15,		weeks after the start of the fiscal year.					provided for this
		2022).							question was not
				Summary statistics of days from March 1, 2022 to date of contract					sufficient to
				execution (signed by provider and Hennepin County) are as follows:					accurately answer
				• Number of contracts = 13					the question about
				• Average days from start of fiscal year to contract execution = -12					how quickly funds
				• Minimum number of days from the start of the fiscal year = -33					were distributed.
				• Maximum number of days from the start of the fiscal year = 14					Rather could ask if
									contracts for funds
									were allocated
									quickly."

2.	Subrecipients of	Hennepin County	Strongly agree	Hennepin County's Ryan White Program issues Requests for Proposals	Strongly	Somewhat	Somewhat	Strongly	1 council member
	Part A funds are	implements an open, public	(4), Somewhat	(RFP) to provide Part A and MAI funded HIV services every four to five	Agree	Agree	Disagree	Disagree	somewhat
	selected through	process to contract for	agree (3)	years. All providers funded to deliver Part A funded services from fiscal	17	5	1		disagreed because
	an open process.	services through a		years 2020-2023, except for one, was selected through an RFP process					"A definition for
		competitive RFP process.		conducted August – October 2019. The RFP is a competitive process open					the term open
				to all qualified agencies. The RFP announcement was sent to all current					access is needed.
				and past Ryan White HIV/AIDS funded providers and is posted on the					Clarity is needed
				Hennepin County Supplier Portal which more broadly reaches community-					surrounding
				based and clinic providers in the Twin Cities metro area. The RFP					council member's
				announcement is also sent to DHS' HIV Supports staff and MDH's					ability to discuss
				STD/HIV/TB program staff for distribution to their provider networks. One					individual
				provider that was not selected through the 2019 RFP process began					subrecipients and
				receiving Part A funding in 2021 to provide Medical Case Management					how they may
				Services, as part of Hennepin County's response to the HIV outbreak					provide feedback
				among people who inject drugs, to engage outbreak cases that were					to the subject
				experiencing unsheltered homelessness in HIV medical care. The provider					matter experts
				selected receives the HRSA/Bureau of Primary Care grant that funds					(subrecipients)."
				healthcare services to residents of Hennepin County who experience					
				homelessness.					
				Providers of the following FY 2022 Part A funded services prioritized by					
				the MN Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention were selected through					
				the 2019 RFP process:					
				Core Medical Services (in order of council priority for FY 2021 and 2022)					
				1. Medical Case Management					
				3. Outpatient Ambulatory Healthcare Services					
				4. Early Intervention Services					
				5. Mental Health Services					
				6. Substance Abuse Services/Outpatient					
				9. Home and Community-Based Health Services					
				10. Medical Nutritional Therapy					
				Support Services (in order of council priority for FY 2021 and 2022)					
				1. Housing Services					
				3. Food Bank/Home Delivered Meals					
				6. Psychosocial Support Services					
				7. Health Education/Risk Reduction					
				8. Other Professional Services (Legal Services)					

The recipient	Per service area, sufficient	Strongly agree	In 2022, Hennepin County issued an RFP for h needs of unhoused people who inject drugs a Alaska Native HIV positive individuals, as dired HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention. Providers selected through the RFP process m contract requirements for delivery of health a selection is based on recommendations made reviewers selected by Part A administrative st include public health and social service subject of HIV services and MDH STD/HIV/TB and DHS None of the proposal reviewers can be memb for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention, per the Rya legislation, and all reviewers must declare cor	nd American sted by the M ust meet Her nd human se by panels of aff. Proposal t matter exp 6 HIV Support ers of the Mi an White HIV offlicts of inter	Indian and IN Council for nepin County rvices. Provider objective reviewers erts, consumers s program staff. nnesota Council /AIDS Program est they have.	Strongly	Somewhat	Somewhat	Strongly	1 council member
secured	number of subrecipients is	(3), Somewhat	receiving Part A funding for multiple services.			Agree	Agree	Disagree	• • •	somewhat
sufficient	•	agree (4)	providers funded in FY 2022 was based on the			12	9	2		disagreed because
subrecipients for	 Number of contracts 		• Amount of funding allocated to the each c	f the council	prioritized					"There is concern
all service areas	that can be administered		service areas							about potential
receiving	 Amount of funding 		Number of providers responding to the 20							overlap with the
allocations.	allocated for each		Number of Ryan White Program contracts							number of
	prioritized service area		to administer within the Ryan White Progr	am's adminis	tration budget					subrecipients providing Medical
	Allocation requirements for populations with		cap (10%)							Case Management
	for populations with special needs		Results of the RFP proposal objective revie	ew process						services."
	 Availability of qualified 		The number of providers contracted to delive	r the services	that received					
	subrecipients		Part A funding in 2022 were as follows:							
			Service Area	# Part A	2022 Part A [‡]					
				Providers	Allocation					
			Early Intervention Services	2	\$ 391,250					
			Food Bank / Home Delivered Meals	2	962,064					
			Health Education Risk Reduction	2	53,900					
			Home and Community-Based Health	1						
			Services		125,000					
			Housing Services	1	449,200					
			Legal Services (Other Professional Services)	1	96,800					
			Medical Case Management**	8	2,286,559					
			Medical Nutritional Therapy	1	73,000					

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			Mental Health Services		2	140,000					
			Outpatient Healthcare Serv	vices**	3	845,200					
			Psychosocial Support		3	88,400					
			Substance Abuse Services/0	Outpatient	1	139,900					
				Services Total	13	\$ 5,651,273					
			**MAI funded services								
			[‡] Final allocation includes: \$2	78,639 increase in	the FY22 Pa	art A formula					
			(\$76,654), supplemental (\$1								
			\$195,993 in carryover alloca		-						
			Bank/Home-delivered Meals								
			from Health Education/Risk			hal Therapy					
			following the 6-month exper	iuiture assessmen	ι.						
			Note: Part B, state and rebat	te dollars also fund	l some of th	ese services, so					
			the number of Part A funded	•	-						
			number of HIV service provid	•							
			EFA, Food Vouchers, Health I	Insurance Premiun	n and Cost S	hare Assistance,					
			Health Education/Risk Reduc								
			Bank/Home Delivered Meals	-		-					
			medical case management, I			-					
			and Oral Health Services. Ad fund 3 additional Medical Ca	•							
			TGA).	ise widnugement p	i oviders ioc						
4. Subrecipients are	Invoices were paid by	Strongly agree	HC RWHAP Contract Languag	ge Pertinent to Pay	/ment of Inv	oices:	Strongly	Somewhat	Somewhat	Strongly	No "somewhat
paid in a timely	Hennepin County within the		"County will make payment	-			Agree	Agree	Disagree		disagree" or
manner by	timetable indicated in	agree (1)	invoice. If the invoice is incor	rect, defective, or	otherwise in	nproper,	21	2	-	-	"strongly disagree"
Hennepin	contracts.		COUNTY will notify PROVIDE			-					answers were
County.			incorrect invoice. Upon recei	-	-						provided by
			COUNTY will make payment	,,,							council members
			COUNTY withholds payment			-					though the options
			comply with any of the provi								were available in the survey. As a
			that COUNTY did not act in g	•							result, no further
			provided above, then such cl	-							comments were
			Contract Manager (pursuant			•					received on
			an audit Is required by COUN	•	-						objective
			then the standard payment p	•	•	• • • •					fulfillment.
			commence until the audit is	completed by COU	NTY."						

5.	used to pay only services that		N/A	Hennepin Cour Part A invoices 9.75 days with being 34 days. The following t Prevention's FN	e from Invoice Receipt to Paymer hty randomly sampled 40 subrecipt . The average time from receipt of the maximum time between invo able presents the MN Council for ? 2021-2022 service priorities in r recipient's contract allocations to	pient/provider FY 2022 of invoice to payment was bice receipt and payment HIV/AIDS Care and ank order along with the	Strongly Agree 15	Somewhat Agree 6	Somewhat Disagree 1	Strongly Disagree 1	2 council member disagreed because "Funding should be distributed in
	as priorities by the council.	and 2022.		Council Priority	Service Category	Total Part A Contract Allocations					correlation to the priority ranking of
				CM 2	AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP)	Part B Rebate Funds Only					the service by the council. Funding
				CM 5	Mental Health Services	\$140,000					currently lacks correlation to
				CM 1	Medical Case Management Services	\$2,286,559					priority ranking" and "There is
				CM 4	Early Intervention Services	\$391,250					contradiction in
				CM 6	Substance Abuse Services – Outpatient	\$139,900					providing funding for specific
				CM 8	Oral Health Care	Part B Rebate Funds Only					services by some subrecipients
				CM 3	Outpatient/Ambulatory Health Services	\$845,200					when compared to amounts spent on
				CM 7	Health Insurance Premium & Cost Sharing Assistance	Did not receive Part A or B funding in FY 2022					allocated funds (ex: Emergency
				CM 9	Home and Community Based Health Services	\$125,000					Financial Services, Legal Services).
				CM 10	Medical Nutrition Therapy	\$73,000					Funding and
				CM 11	Home Health Care	Did not receive Part A or B funding in FY 2022					availability should be prioritized
				CM 12	Hospice Services	Did not receive Part A or B funding in FY 2022					based on member's ability
											to access those
				SS 1	Housing Services	\$449,200					services (offering
				SS 2	Emergency Financial Services	Part B Rebate Funds Only					additional services options, evening or
				SS 5	Case Management (Non- Medical) Services	Part B Rebate Funds Only					weekend services)."

			SS 3	Food Bank/Home Delivered	\$962,064					
				Meals	400.000					
			SS 6	Psychosocial Support	\$88,400					
			SS 4	Medical Transportation	Part B Rebate Funds					
				O to the	Only					
			SS 9	Outreach	NA					
			SS 7	Health Education/Risk Reduction	\$53,900					
			SS 10 (tie)	Substance Abuse Services – Residential	Did not receive Part A or B funding in FY 2022					
			SS 12	Child Care Services	Did not receive Part A					
					or B funding in FY 2022					
			SS 10 (tie)	Referral for Health	Part B Rebate Funds					
				Care/Supportive Services	Only					
			SS 8	Legal Services	\$96,800					
			SS 15	Linguistic Services	Did not receive Part A					
					or B funding in FY 2022					
			SS 13	Rehabilitation Services	Did not receive Part A					
					or B funding in FY 2022					
			SS 14	Permanency Planning	Did not receive Part A					
			55.16	Descrite Core	or B funding in FY 2022					
			SS 16	Respite Care	Did not receive Part A or B funding in FY 2022					
			CM = Core Med	lical service						
			SS = Support se							
			All contract aw	ards for each service category we	ere based upon and					
			matched the Co	ouncil's Part A initial and carryov	er allocations and					
			reallocations.							
6.	The amounts	•		the tables under Objectives 3 and		Strongly	Somewhat	Somewhat	• • •	1 council member
	contracted for	match the council's	Part A Timeline	below for the council allocations	s timeline.	Agree	Agree	Disagree	Disagree	somewhat
	each service	allocation plan completed in				14	8	1		disagreed because
	category are the	August 2021 and		oproved FY 2022 Pre-Award Allo						"Medical Case
	same as the	subsequent adjustments done through the post-	•	oproved FY 2022 Post-Award Allo oproved FY 2021 Part A and MAI						Management has received most of
	council's	award, carryover, and		8/9/22. This proposal allocated s	-					the funding while
	allocations.	reallocation plans.		to medical case management and	-					the council voted
				unds to food bank/home deliver	· · · ·					to prioritize
				,						Housing, Food

	4. Part A Spending Quarterly Report by Service Area was presented to	bank/home
	the MCHACP reflecting FY 2022 Quarters 1-2 spending, on 11/8/22.	delivered meals
		and Case
		Management."

FY 2022 Part A Timeline

FY 2022 grant application allocations approved by MN Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention – August 10, 2021 \checkmark FY 2022 grant application submitted to HRSA/HAB – October 2, 2021 \checkmark FY 2022 partial grant award issued by HRSA/HAB – January 12, 2022 \downarrow Request for waiver of core medical services expenditure requirement for FY 2022 submitted to HRSA/HAB – February 3, 2022 FY 2022 full grant award issued by HRSA/HAB – May 23, 2022 \checkmark FY 2022 post-award adjustment approved by MN Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention – July 12, 2022 \downarrow FY 2021 Federal Financial Report and Part A and MAI Expenditure Table submitted to HRSA/HAB – July 30, 2022 Carryover allocations approved by MN Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention – August 9, 2022 \downarrow Carryover plan submitted to HRSA/HAB – August 29, 2022 \mathbf{v} Carryover plan approved by HRSA/HAB – October 14, 2022 Reallocation plan approved by MN Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention – November 8, 2022

Reference Documents

MN Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention FY 2021 and 2022 service priorities: <u>fy 2021 - 2022 service area prioritization ranking.pdf (mnhivcouncil.org)</u> MN Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention FY 2022 Post-Award Allocations Plan (page 3 for Part A allocations): <u>fy 2022 council post-award allocations plan.pdf (mnhivcouncil.org)</u> Part A FY 2022 2nd quarter expenditure report (March 1 – August 31, 2022): <u>2022.10.21 council expenditure report fy2022 q1-q2-final.pdf (mnhivcouncil.org)</u> MN Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention August 10, 2021 meeting minutes: <u>2021.08.10 mchacp minutes 5 .pdf (mnhivcouncil.org)</u> MN Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention July 12, 2022 meeting minutes: <u>mnhivcouncil.org/uploads/3/4/7/5/34759483/2022.07.12 mchacp minutes.pdf</u> MN Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention August 9, 2022 meeting minutes: <u>2022.08.09 mchacp minutes.pdf (mnhivcouncil.org)</u> MN Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention August 9, 2022 meeting minutes: <u>2022.08.09 mchacp minutes.pdf (mnhivcouncil.org)</u> MN Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention November 8, 2022 meeting minutes: <u>MCHACP (mnhivcouncil.org)</u>