



Morris, Sussex, Warren HIV/AIDS Advisory Committee  
County of Morris Department of Human Services  
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**Morris Sussex Warren HIV/AIDS Advisory Committee and  
Early Intervention and Retention Collaborative Meeting Summary**

<b>Date</b>	Tuesday, June 21, 2016
<b>Location</b>	Hope House, 19-21 Belmont Avenue, Dover, NJ

**Members Present:** Ryan Curtis, Allison Delcalzo-Berens, Aliya Onque, Caroline Schenkman

**Other Attendees:** Alison Arce, Jennie Crespo, Sharon Yoo

**Members Absent:** Shelia Carter, Jennifer McGee-Avila, Dwight Peavy, Johanna Moore-Valverde, Ron Ritzie, Ray Suttles, Alicia Weisbrot, Pdraig Henry, Joann McEniry

Quorum was not established.

The Committee observed a moment of silence for all those living with and all who have passed from HIV and AIDS. The meeting was brought to order at 11:07am. The Chair, Delcalzo-Berens distributed the June "Advisory Committee Newsletter" which includes agency updates from the Morris County Department of Human Services, the Ryan White Grantee's Office, the Planning Council, the Human Services Advisory Committee, The Family Health Center, Hope House, New Jersey AIDS Services and Zufall Health Center.

Delcalzo-Berens distributed the minutes from April 19, 2016; however no vote took place due to lack of quorum.

The Committee heard a presentation by Sharon Yoo, Esq., Staff Attorney at Legal Services of Northwest New Jersey (LSNNJ). Yoo passed around brochures that are included at the end of the meeting summary. Yoo reported that LSNNJ has several locations throughout Hunterdon, Morris, Somerset, Warren and Sussex counties and that most services have an income requirement. For HIV positive clients, the income must be below 250% of the FPL and there is no income limit for seniors over 60. Services include preparing last will and testament, advanced directives and power of attorneys; representing clients in family issues such as domestic violence, divorce and child support; representing clients in benefits cases such as social security denials, housing court issues, welfare termination and issues related to Medicaid, Medicare, PAAD and the ACA; representing clients in financial issues such as bankruptcy, consumer debt and foreclosures. Services can only be provided to clients who meet the income requirements and who are citizens or hold green cards. The LSNNJ newsletter can be found on the website.

Delcalzo-Berens distributed a FACT sheet for review by the committee. Meeting attendees made recommendations which Delcalzo-Berens stated will be incorporated and presented for review at the next meeting.

Delcalzo-Berens provided an update from the Webpage Workgroup which met on May 17, 2016 at 30 Schuyler Place. Delcalzo-Berens reported that several changes were implemented to reduce the scroll length of the page and increase access and readability of information. Committee members and participants were encouraged to view the webpage in their own time. Some additional changes may be implemented in the coming year and the workgroup plans to meet with the Morris County Webmaster to discuss possibilities in the coming months. No date has been set for this meeting.

Delcalzo-Berens distributed a Resource Guide Process for review. No discussion took place. This document will be discussed at the next meeting.



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Several agenda items, including creation of consumer recruitment plans, a housing discussion and membership, were moved off of this meeting's agenda due to lack of quorum and to accommodate a request from the Ryan White Part A Grantee that the committee provide feedback on the draft of the Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan. The Committee spent approximately 30 minutes making recommendations on the first two National HIV/AIDS Strategy (NHAS) goals, which will be shared at the next meeting when the Committee will focus on the last two NHAS goals.

Delcalzo-Berens distributed flyers for the next community lunch and learn at 435 South Street on July 29 hosted by Family Health Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:32pm. The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, July 19 at 11am at Zufall and the guest will be Michele Roth from the Sussex County Health Department.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

- Delcalzo-Berens will type up Committee recommendations on the Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan to share prior to the next meeting.
- Delcalzo-Berens will coordinate the next Webpage Workgroup meeting.
- Delcalzo-Berens will modify the 2016 Work Plan to discuss at the next meeting.