#### **PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BOARD APPOINTMENT SUMMARY**

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Meeting Date: November 7, 2023

**Department:** 

Submitted by: **Community Services** 

**Advisory Board:** Palm Beach County HIV CARE Council

#### I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to approve: the reappointments of two (2) members to the Palm Beach County HIV Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency Act Council (HIV CARE Council), effective November 7, 2023:

Seat No.	<b>Reappointment</b>	Recommended By	<b>Term Expires</b>
1 .	Lilia Perez	HIV CARE Council	11/06/2026
2	Kristen Harrington	HIV CARE Council	11/06/2026

Summary: The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) requires Palm Beach County to maintain a planning council tasked with establishing priorities and allocations for the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program grant funding that the County receives. The Palm Beach County HIV CARE Council is the County's planning council. Federal law requires that the planning council "shall reflect in its composition the demographics of the population of individuals with HIV/AIDS in the eligible area....". At least 33% of planning council members must be consumers of Ryan White services who are unaffiliated with subrecipient service providers. The law also requires that members of the planning council represent designated categories including; health care providers; social service providers; community-based organizations; local public health agencies; non-elected community leaders; and grantees of Federal HIV programs. Ms. Perez is employed by FoundCare, Inc. and Ms. Harrington is employed by AIDS Healthcare Foundation, Inc., which contracts with the County for services; however, the HIV CARE Council provides no regulation, oversight, management, or policy setting recommendations regarding the subject contracts or transactions. Disclosure of these contractual relationships at a duly noticed public meeting is being provided in accordance with the provisions of Section 2-443 of the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics. The HIV CARE Council nomination process is an open process. Per Resolution No. R2018-0015, the total membership for the HIV CARE Council shall be no more than 33 at-large members. The nominees have successfully completed the nomination process and the HIV CARE Council recommends the appointments. The diversity count for the 24 seats that are currently filled is African-American: 10 (42%), Caucasian: 7 (29%), Hispanic-American: 6 (25%) and Asian-American: 1 (4%). The gender ratio (female: male) is 13:11. Ms. Perez is Hispanic-American and Ms. Harrington is Caucasian. Staff is addressing the need to increase diversity within our boards and will continue to encourage this to expand this Board's diversity. (Ryan White Program) Countywide (HH)

Background and Justification: In accordance with the Ryan White CARE Act of 1990 (P.L.101-381). Palm Beach County was designated an eligible metropolitan area disproportionally affected by the HIV epidemic and having a demand for services exceeding the capacity of local resources to meet that demand. The federal government, through HRSA, has made funds available to Palm Beach County to meet such demand. In order to access these funds, it is legally mandated by Title I (Part A) of the Ryan White Care Act that Palm Beach County designate a Title I (Part A) HIV Services Planning Council. The Ryan White CARE Act Amendments of 1996 mandate a nomination process for appointments to Title I (Part A) Planning Councils. To that end, the Board established the Palm Beach County HIV CARE Council, per Resolution No. R2011-1560 dated October 18, 2011 and amended on January 23, 2018.

#### Attachments:

1. Boards/Committees Applications (2)

	Assistant County Attorney	Date
Legal Sufficiency:	Helme C. Swind	10-19-23
	Department Director	Date
Recommended By	Jomes E	Freen 10/18/2023
2. HIV CARE Coun	cil Nominations Policy No. 10	

## Attachment 1

#### PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BOARDS/COMMITTEES APPLICATION

The information provided on this form will be used in considering your nomination. Please COMPLETE SECTION II IN FULL. Answer "none" or "not applicable" where appropriate. Please attach a biography or résumé to this form.

Section I (Department): (Ple	ase Print)				
Board Name: PBC	HIV CARE COUN	ICIL		Advisory [	Not Advisory [ ]
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Name: Perez	Lili	a ·		·	
Last Occupation/Affiliation:	Fi Director of Ryan White Pro	rst gram		Middle	
· ·	Owner [ ]	Employee 🔀		Officer	[]
Business Name:	FoundCare, Inc.				
Business Address:	2330 S. congress Ave.				
City & State	West Palm Beach, FL		Zip Code:	33406	
Residence Address:	201 NW Avenue K				
City & State	Belle Glade, Florida		Zip Code:	33430	
	)	Business Phone:	•	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Ext.1204
	1) 261-2096	Fax:	( )		
	ez@foundcare.org	<u> </u>			
Mailing Address Preference: [	X Business [ ] Residence				
Have you ever been convicted		o X d date:			
Minority Identification Code	: [ ] Male  Mispanic-American	☐ Female	n []Afr	ican-American	[ ] Caucasian

#### Section II Continued:

CONTRACTUAL RELATIONSHIPS: Pursuant to Article XIII, Sec. 2-443 of the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics, advisory board members are prohibited from entering into any contract or other transaction for goods or services with Palm Beach County. Exceptions to this prohibition include awards made under sealed competitive bids, certain emergency and sole source purchases, and transactions that do not exceed \$500 per year in aggregate. These exemptions are described in the Code. This prohibition does not apply when the advisory board member's board provides no regulation, oversight, management, or policy-setting recommendations regarding the subject contract or transaction and the contract or transaction is disclosed at a public meeting of the Board of County Commissioners. To determine compliance with this provision, it is necessary that you, as a board member applicant, identify all contractual relationships between Palm Beach County government and you as an individual, directly or indirectly, or your employer or business. This information should be provided in the space below. If there are no contracts or transactions to report, please verify that none exist. Staff will review this information and determine if you are eligible to serve or if you may be eligible for an exception or waiver pursuant to the code.

Contract/Transaction No.	<b>Department/Division</b>	<b>Description of Services</b>	<u>Term</u>
Example: (R#XX-XX/PO XX)	Parks & Recreation	General Maintenance	10/01/00-09/30/2100
R 2021 - 1009	CSD	Client Services	3/1/21 - 2/29/24
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By signing below I acknow & State of Florida Code of *Applicant's Signature:	of Ethies:	nderstand and agree to abide by the Guid	Date: 10/05/2023
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Section III (Commissioner, if an Appointment to be made	oplicable):		

## Lilia Perez P.O. Box 687/201 NW Avenue K Belle Glade, Fl. 33430 561-261-2096 liliaperez20@att.net

**Objective:** Service-focused social worker with a strong commitment to serving and meeting the needs of the HIV/AIDS population including the homeless and disadvantages children, youth and adults.

#### **Work Experience:**

June 2022 to Present: Director or Ryan White Program

Overseeing and managing the Ryan White program and services.

March/2021 to May/2022: FoundCare, Inc. Program Manager

Supervise agency's remote site and its day-to-day operations including the staff.

#### May/2014 to February 2021: FoundCare, Inc. - Program Supervisor

Supervise agency staff and oversee day-to-day operation of Ryan White programs in the Client Services department.

July/ 2008 to April/2014: FoundCare, Inc. - Site Supervisor.

Supervise agency staff and oversee day-to-day operations and center facilities.

August/2004 to July/2008: FoundCare, Inc. - Case manager.

To provide assessment, referral, linkage and support services to HIV/AIDS clients.

January/2001 to December/2001: Agricultural Employee Services. - Field Representative.

To verify, document and upload INS documents into a database for farm workers.

#### 1993 – 1994: Kemet de Mexico (Matamoros, México) - Process Engineer

To develop, evaluate and improve production while maintaining quality standards of the product.

#### 1990 – 1993: Kemet de México (Matamoros, México) - Production Supervisor

To complete production plan by scheduling and assigning personnel; establishing priorities, monitoring/supervising progress, revising schedules, resolving problems, reporting results, daily production reports.

1987 – 1990: Kemet de México (Matamoros, México) - Quality Control Inspector

To inspect the final product meet standards of quality according to manufacturer's specifications.

# Lilia Perez P.O. Box 687/201 NW Avenue K Belle Glade, Fl. 33430 561-261-2096 liliaperez20@att.net

#### **Education:**

July, 1994 Industrial Engineer Instituto Tecnologico de Matamoros (ITM) - Technical Institute of Matamoros Matamoros, Mexico

#### **Special Trainings:**

CERT Certified
Excelling as supervisor
40 hours of Medical Interpreters Training
AIDS 501 & 104 Classes
Train the Trainer

**Special Skills:** Detailed oriented, excellent customer service, Bilingual in Spanish. Computer programs: Word, Excel, Power Point, Publisher, Outlook, Internet.

References available upon request

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Last Occupation/Affiliation:		First		Middle	
· ·	Regional Director	Employee [	1	Officer [	·
Business Name:	Owner [ ]	Employee [		Officer (	1
Business Address:	AIDS Healthcare Foun	dation			
City & State	700 SE 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ave		7: 0.1.	22216	
City & State	Ft Lauderdale, Fl		_ Zip Code:	_33316	
Residence Address:	10414 Lake Vista Circ	·le			
City & State	Boca Raton, fl		_ Zip Code:	33498	
Home Phone:	( 561) 350-2196	Business Phone:	( )	Ext	
Cell Phone:	(-)	Fax:	( )	***************************************	
Email Address:	Kristen.harrington@ahf.org				
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Commissioner's Signature:		Date:	
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#### Kristen Harrington, R.N., C.C.M.

10414 Lake Vista Circle Boca Raton FL, 33498 Ph. (561) 350-2196 Email: Kristenlh@bellsouth.net

#### **Objective**

Seeking membership with the Palm Beach County HIV Care Council

#### **Qualifications**

- 15 years professional nursing experience including 13 years in the Disease Management of patients with HIV/AIDS
- Certified Case Manager
- Experience in project management, NCQA accreditation, and policy & procedure development
- Experience with Utilization Review
- Skilled with computer applications including MS Word, Excel, Access, and PowerPoint
- Extensive knowledge of Project AIDS Care Waiver Program requirements and services
- Flexible professional with excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Proficient at working with members of a multi-disciplinary team, prioritization of responsibilities, and encouraging collaboration

#### **Work Experience**

**AIDS Healthcare Foundation** 

Regional Director-Palm Beach County

Ft Lauderdale, FL 9/2016-Present

#### Case Management/Utilization Management Quality Review Director

- Conduct regular medical chart compliance audits for Ryan White programs to assure clinical compliance, which may including clinical, billing and level of service audits as well as other audits related to performance measures for all categories of Ryan White services.
- Perform comprehensive chart reviews on all program types, including but not limited to outpatient medical services, disease management services, case management services, etc. Analyze data, developing and presenting appropriate reports for program compliance and organizational leadership to Southern Bureau leadership on a routine basis and in advance of any outside audit.
- Monitor corrective action plans to ensure that proper steps were taken to resolve any compliance issues and necessary adjustments have occurred. Identify opportunities to improve processes to sustain accurate and compliant outcomes.

- Engage with program and organizational leadership to review processes and results of audits on a routine basis.
- Educate on new requirements and expectations of payers and regulatory bodies
- Track impact of audit results. Help to develop performance improvement strategies to support compliance, clinical and organizational outcomes
- Works with the Southern Bureau Chief to develop and/or maintain physical sites for healthcare center, pharmacy, Out of the Closet thrift store, HIV testing center, and regional offices; hire staff and develop programs and services; and advocate and do outreach for these programs and services.
- Represents AHF on a local and statewide basis to discuss the specific program operations and overall programs; researches and responds to regulatory, legal, and clinical requirements for development of programs throughout the area; creates and maintains collaborations with other AIDS service organizations, federal, state and local governmental entities, and medical institutions.
- Monitors and communicates on local funding opportunities for services and programs.
- Monitors all contract deliverables. Assures contract compliance.
- Reviews all monthly reports, statistical breakdowns of the Region's census and case studies for accuracy and appropriateness of reporting. Identifies significant problems and opportunities.
- Manages the Region's departmental budgets to maximize revenue and minimize expenses
- Participates in provider relations and contracting activities as necessary to maintain and develop AHF Provider Networks. Responds to Federal, State, and Local audits and implements corrective action plans as necessary; supports regional managers to ensure compliance to state and federal guidelines in Medicare and Medicaid operations, monitoring and communicating all changes in Medicare/Medicaid regulations across the organization.
- Serves as a committee member on all appropriate administrative committees.
- Coordinates necessary trainings for the area for AHF staff and volunteers, and community members, as directed by Southern Bureau Chief.

#### Humana Health Services Market Manager

Miramar, FL 11/2014-9/2016

- 5 Direct reports including 3 RN Supervisors, 1 LPN non-clinical Supervisor and 1 reporting specialist.
- 40 indirect reports consisting of Registered Nurse, Licensed Practical Nurses and non-clinical specialist.
- Responsible for managing Case Management operations, developing policy and procedures, monitoring and reviewing productivity, work

- volume, enhancing efficiency, adjusting work distribution and auditing quality.
- Holding weekly team meetings to communicate information, changes, and updates to my reports, which is subsequently disseminated to their teams.
- Collaborating with other departments to enhance program services.
- Collaboration with operations committees and external partners.
- Reviewing and adjusting invoices for billing accuracy and reimbursement.
- Hiring, firing, reviewing career development, mentoring and coaching associates.
- Monthly monitoring of program metric goals and adjusting processes as needed to meet the goals.

### AIDS Healthcare Foundation RN Utilization and Case Management Manager

Ft Lauderdale, FL 2001-2014

- Managing Utilization staff and the Care Teams responsible for Disease
  Managing HIV positive members in Medicaid and Medicare special needs
  plans. Duties include monitoring the daily inpatient hospitalizations,
  creating assignments, monitoring productivity, assessing quality,
  monitoring contract compliance, developing protocol, employee
  interviewing, orientation, recognition, discipline and creating corrective
  action plans.
- Holding weekly rounds with Utilization and Care Team staff along with the Program Director and Medical Director. The purpose of rounds is to review all hospitalizations, members transitioning between healthcare settings and those members at risk for transitioning.
- Establishing and maintain quality indicators in accordance with standards of care and industry benchmarks.
- Serving on a committee that tests and recommends changes to the charting database, and lead in the development of the care plans used by the organization.
- Coordinating and holding face to face Interdisciplinary Care Team Meetings with Members, Care Team staff, the program Medical Director, and the member's involved providers to collaborate and coordinate care.
- Provider networking with local Physicians, AIDS Service Organizations, Hospitals and other CBO's

#### RN District Manager & Lead RN Care Manager

2003-2013

- Assisted the Regional Manager with the implementation of disease management of patients living with HIV/AIDS in the assigned region
- Maintained community and provider relationships
- Provided disease management to challenging patients on an as need basis

- Supervised RN Care Managers by conducting monthly evaluations of productivity, completing productivity reports and preparing invoices for the Medicaid waiver program.
- Managed Registered Nursing staff completing medical needs assessments for a Medicaid Waiver Program. In addition to monitoring contract compliance and preparing monthly invoices for payment.

#### RN Care Manager

2001-2003

- Maintained a Client roster providing comprehensive Disease Management services to the HIV positive Medipass population.
- Assessed patients, develop, implement and review plans of care, work in collaboration with other members of the team (ie: Physicians, Pharmacy staff, Case Managers, patients, family members, etc)
- Maintained patient records in accordance with departmental and state guidelines
- Provided on-call coverage for the state to ensure proper after-hours care for all existing and potential patients
- Developed and lead the committee to review and enhance the care plans used by the organization

### Bay Medical Center/Sacred Heart Registered Nurse

Panama City, FL 1999-2001

- Performed all Charge Nurse and patient care duties on 21 bed pulmonary step-down unit
- Developed, implemented and documented a plan of care specific to each patient
- Followed guidelines in accordance with hospital policy and JCAHO regulations

#### **Education**

Associate of Science in Nursing *Miami-Dade College* 

5/1999

## Palm Beach County HIV CARE Council CARE Council Policy

**Policy Number:** 

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Approved:

April 30, 2001

Amended:

January 26, 2004

Amended:

November 16, 2009

Amended:

November 22, 2010

Amended:

June 27, 2011

Amended:

June 25. 2012

Issue:

**Nominations Process for CARE Council Membership** 

This policy is adopted by the CARE Council (CARE Council), for the purpose of ensuring there is an open and fair nomination process which will provide for a CARE Council membership which is reflective of the AIDS epidemic in Palm Beach County. Florida. In addition, it is the intention of the CARE Council to maintain a nomination policy which complies with directives of the Division of HIV Services (DHS) and HRSA as those directives relate to the Rvan White Act.

#### 1. Legislative Background

Section 2602(b) of the reauthorized Ryan White Act states: "Nominations to the planning council (CARE Council) shall be identified through an open process and candidates shall be selected based upon locally delineated and published criteria. Such criteria shall include a conflict of interest standard for each nominee."

#### II. **Expectations**

An open nominations process, in combination with other legislative requirements and existing DHS policy on PLWH participation, shall result in broad and diverse community inclusion and culturally competent deliberations in CARE Council processes. CARE Council will only approve and/or appoint members who have gone through the nominations process and shall appoint members on a timely basis to ensure minimum disruption to CARE Council activities.

Nominations to the CARE Council shall be sought from a wide spectrum of potential members. Recruitment shall be made through existing CARE Council committees and through ongoing solicitation through existing CARE Council members, service providers, outreach through advertising, and staff working with consumers of HIV/AIDS services. Particular consideration shall be given to disproportionately affected and historically underserved groups and sub-populations.

Every member of the CARE Council is encouraged to actively recruit members to fill gaps in CARE Council membership. Recruitment is not just the Membership Committee's responsibility. CARE Council members should use their own network and seek key contacts in other communities to help identify potential members to fill gaps and to provide individuals to participate in CARE Council committee activities.

#### III. Steps in the Nominations Process:

- 1. When necessary advertising may be placed in various publications countywide notifying the public of the need for participation through membership on the CARE Council. Included in the advertising shall be notification of the need to fill membership positions based upon the demographics of the epidemic in Palm Beach County, and to ensure legislatively mandated positions are filled. A time limit for return of applications shall be included in the notification.
- 2. Potential applicants shall be provided a nominations packet containing a letter describing roles and responsibilities of the CARE Council, duties of membership, time expectations, gaps in representations, conflict of interest standards, HIV disclosure requirements, and an overview of the selection process and timeline; within three (3) business days of request. There shall also be an application form used to gather information about: relevant experience, expertise, skills, the person's interest in serving, the perspective he or she might bring to the CARE Council, how his or her peer group might relate to groups affected by HIV, and other related information.
- 3. Each returned application will be issued a document number, and receipt shall be logged in for tracking purposes.
- 4. CARE Council staff will review all application forms and will recommend a list of persons for the Membership Committee to interview per "Procedure for Applicant Interviews". When two or more persons apply for the same slot, the committee will interview at least two applicants for the slot. Interviews shall be conducted by at least two committee members-one of which must be the Chair or Vice Chair and a staff member, according to a structured interview format. Open ended questions about past experience on boards, ideas about significant HIV/AIDS issues and professional or affected community linkages shall be incorporated into the interview.
- 5. After the interviews are completed, the results of each interview are discussed at the next regularly scheduled Membership Committee meeting. When reviewing

candidates for membership the committee will consider the following factors: attendance at CARE Council meetings. involvement at Membership Development Sessions and involvement on committees. The Membership Committee may also consider activities as involvement in Membership Development Sessions. In addition, seat availability, the demographics of the board and candidate qualification will be taken into consideration. The final committee recommendations will be forwarded to the Executive Committee and if approved to the CARE Council. If the recommendation is accepted by the CARE Council, the individual's name will then be forwarded to the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners for appointment. The candidate must document completion of the Palm Beach County ethics training prior to submission of their name to the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners. In the event a recommended candidate is not acceptable to the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, a request for a replacement candidate, if available, will be forwarded to the Membership Committee and the Membership Committee will provide the name of another candidate to the CARE Council. If the recommendation is accepted by the CARE Council, the individuals name will then be forwarded to the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners for appointment.

- Candidates must fulfill the following requirements prior to being forwarded for CARE Council Membership: Candidates must join one (1) committee and attend at least three (3) meetings. one (1) of which must be either a CARE Council meeting, or CARE Council sponsored training (inclusive of annual retreat) within a one (1) year period.
- Documented exceptions to these requirements may be made, based upon the need of the CARE Council or in an extenuating circumstance, at the discretion of the Membership Committee Chair with the approval of the Executive Committee.