

Implementing the new Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program.

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A New Ryan White Act

- Out with the Old – Ryan White CARE Act
- In with the New – Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Modernization Act of 2006
 - Passed December 2006
 - 3 year reauthorization
 - PL 109-415
 - Act sunsets on September 30, 2009

Goals of the New Ryan White Act

- Serve the neediest first
- Focus on life-saving and life-extending services
- Increase prevention efforts
- Increase accountability
- Increase flexibility

Reauthorization Implementation - Objectives

- Inform Grantees about the new changes in the law
- Develop new application guidances based on new requirements
- Issue funding as quickly as possible to meet grant start dates
- Communicate implementation changes to Agency, Department, Congress and other interested parties

Reauthorization Implementation

- Conference calls to grantees about the new changes
- Question and answer documents developed
- Letters to all grantees
 - Part A Grantees on Transitional Grant Area definition and status; new membership requirements for Planning Council; Administrative Costs; Unobligated balances
 - Part B Grantees on ADAP; classes of drugs; Unobligated balances
 - Part C Grantees on budget categories and services
 - Part A, B, C – Interim Waiver Requirements on Core Services

Reauthorization Implementation

- Revised and Released Guidances
 - Part A Transitional Areas
 - Parts A and B Minority AIDS Initiative
 - Part B ADAP Supplemental Drug Treatment Grant Program
- Developed Public Health Emergency and Priority Funding (for Part A) process
- Developed and placed talking points on the HRSA Website

Reauthorization Implementation

- Conducted many briefings to Congress, DHHS, HRSA Senior Staff, Community Groups and other organizations
- Responded to over 400 inquiries from Congress, grantees, advocacy groups, and individuals
- Providing ongoing technical assistance to States and territories, EMAs, TGAs, and other grantees
- Awarded all FY2007 grants under new RWHATMA guidelines

FY 2007 Ryan White Grants Awarded

- Part A (EMA and TGA) Formula, Supplemental, MAI
- Part B Formula, ADAP, ADAP Supplemental, MAI
- Part C EIS, Capacity Building
- Part D WICY, Youth, Supplements
- Part F SPNS
- Part F AETCs, Cooperative agreements
- Part F Dental Partnerships
- Part F Dental Reimbursements

Reauthorization Implementation – In process

- FY 2008 Grant processes
- Develop core medical service requirement procedures for 2008 and 2009
- Client-level data reporting structure including clinical outcomes; report to Congress due 2009
- Severity of Need Index; report to Congress due 2008

Core Services: Progress

- March 2007 – letter to Part A/B/C grantees
- July 2007 – Interim RW core medical services waiver application requirements published in Federal Register
- 2007 - 5 Part A and 3 Part B grantees submitted requests; all 8 waiver requests were approved
- FY2008 grant applications instructed grantees to request a waiver at time of application; received 5 Part A waiver requests and no Part B waiver requests

Core Services: Progress

- November 2007 – FRN with proposed uniform standards for requesting waiver was published for public written comment; comments currently under review
- HRSA revised data collection systems to provide mechanism to monitor allocations and expenditure of RW program funds under core medical services provisions

Client Level Data: Progress

- Vet client level system with grantees, Federal partners, and HAB external partners (10/07 to 3/08)
- Develop Unique Patient ID Number algorithm and encryption methods (10/07 to 4/08)
- Implement client level data collection 1/09

Severity of Need Index: Progress

- <http://hab.hrsa.gov/severityofneed/>
- External independent review of index
- Discussion with, and feedback from, partners, community, and clients
- Operational considerations

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